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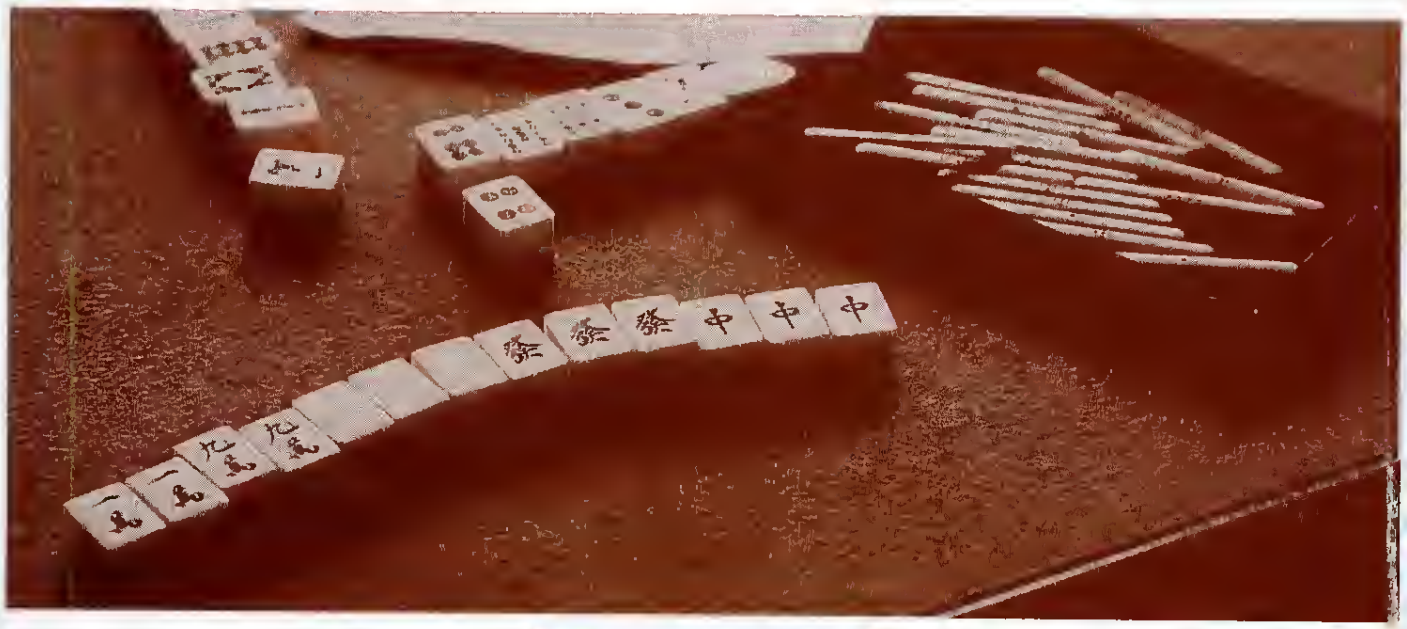

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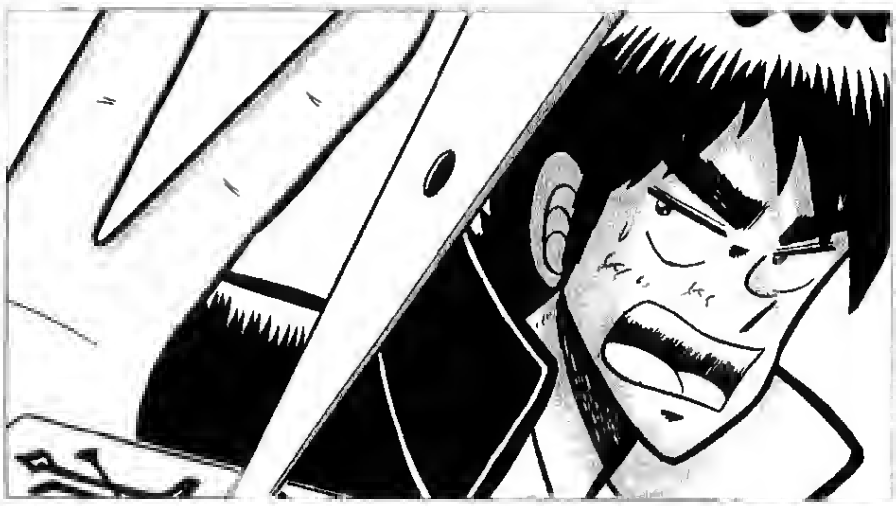

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天馬vs.吉井
TENMA VS. YOSHII

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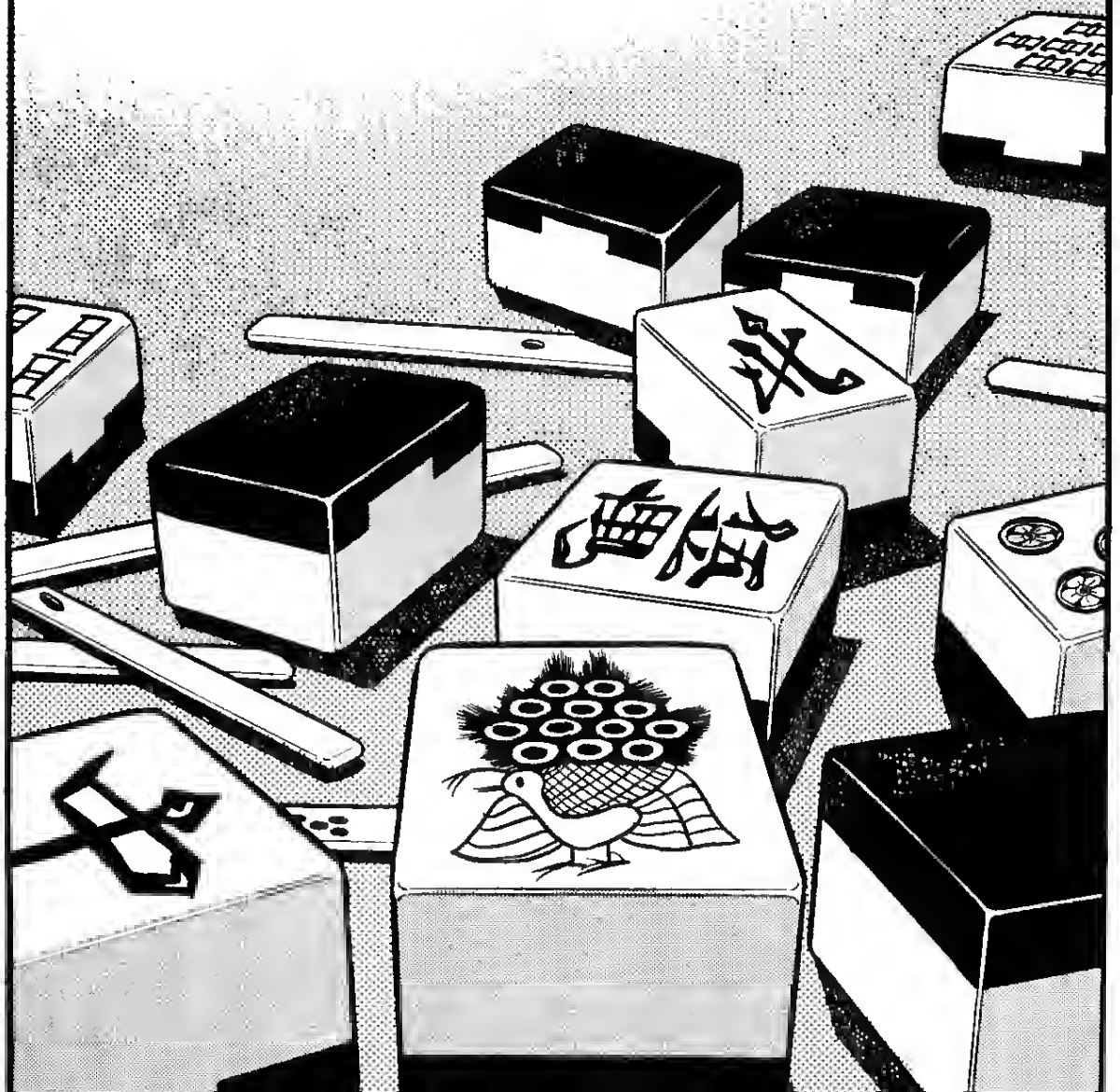
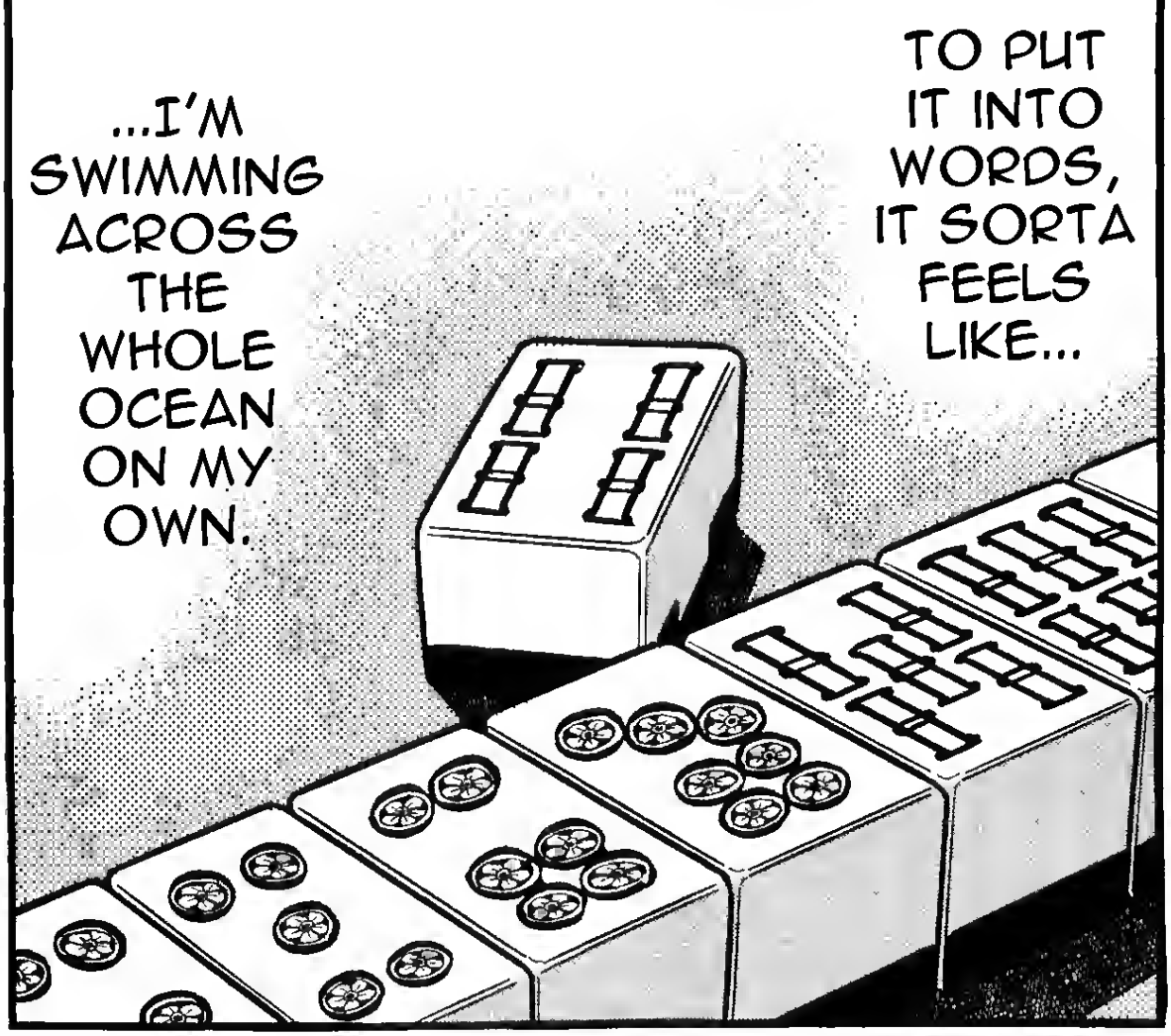
EVERYTHING IS WAITING FOR YOU THERE, ON THE OTHER SIDE.

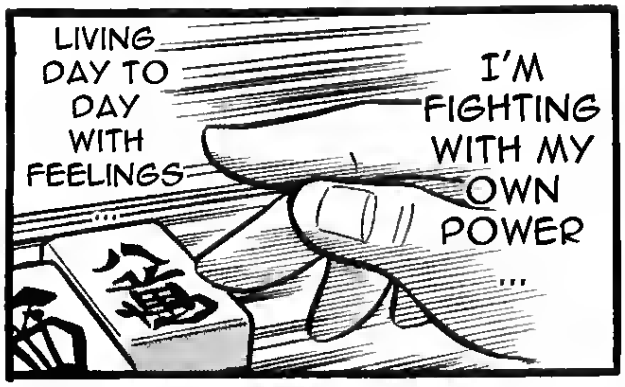
YOUR DEEPEST DESIRES AND FAR-OFF HOPES, BUT ALSO SOME FRUSTRATION...

TO MAKE IT ACROSS, YOU WILL NEED TRUE STRENGTH AND COURAGE.

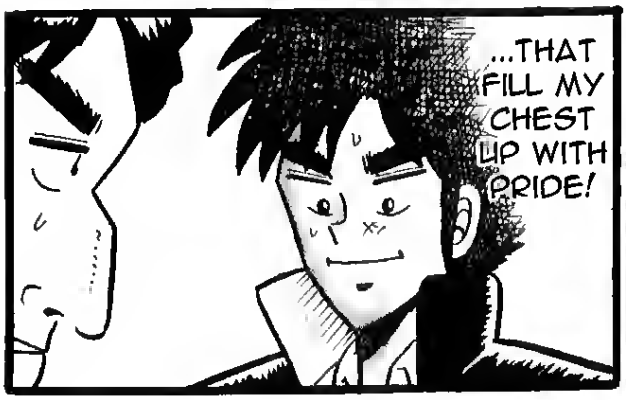


TRUTH BE TOLD, I'M STILL JUST A KID, IN MY SECOND YEAR OF MIDDLE SCHOOL...
THE NAME'S AKAI TENMA.
I JUST CAN'T STOP PLAYING!
TO TELL YOU THE HONEST TRUTH, I DON'T REALLY KNOW, MYSELF...
BUT THERE'S ONE THING I KNOW FOR SURE...
I COME AND PLAY HERE EVERY DAY WHEN SCHOOL GETS OUT.
I'M PRETTY FAMOUS AROUND HERE, FOR THAT.
TSUMO!
I BET YOU'RE WONDERING HOW I CAME TO LIKE IT SO MUCH, HUH?
BUT THE CRAZY THING IS...
I JUST LOVE THE GAME OF MAH-JONG!


TO PUT IT INTO WORDS, IT SORTA FEELS LIKE...
...I'M SWIMMING ACROSS THE WHOLE OCEAN ON MY OWN.


LIVING DAY TO DAY WITH FEELINGS...
I'M FIGHTING WITH MY OWN POWER...

...LIKE NO ONE CAN STOP ME!
IT FEELS SO WILD AND FREE...


...THAT FILL MY CHEST UP WITH PRIDE!

ALL BECAUSE OF MY LOVE FOR THE GAME OF MAHJONG!
HEY, OWNER, THAT KID'S AMAZING ...!
SURE IS...
HIS NAME'S TENMA.
HE'S STILL JUST A MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT ...
...AND WHEN THERE'S NO ONE TO PLAY WITH, HE HELPS ME AROUND THE SHOP.
HE'S THE KIND OF GUY WHO WON'T RELY ON ANY-ONE BUT HIMSELF, AND YET...
...WHEN IT COMES TO MAHJONG, HE'S JUST UNBEATABLE!
THERE ISN'T A SOUL AROUND WHO DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT THAT MAHJONG PRODIGY!

THE NEXT DAY
AT SCHOOL
NISHIDA-KUN, PLEASE WAKE UP TENMA SO WE CAN GET ON WITH THE CLASS...
HUH? M-ME ...?
.....
AAAAAAAHHH
ALL RIGHT, LET'S MOVE ON.
HMM, NOW.. LET'S SEE ...
khaahh *shooo*
khaahh *shooo*
BUT ...
HE PULLED AN ALL-NIGHT MAHJONG RUN YES-TERDAY, SO...
shoo
...HE TOLD ME NOT TO WAKE HIM UP UNTIL NOON ...!

IT'S JUST THAT I CAN'T WAKE HIM UP RIGHT NOW!
NO, NOT AT ALL!!
DO... DO YOU MEAN TO TELL ME THAT YOU RESPECT HIS AUTHORITY MORE THAN MINE ...?
MAN, YOU SHOULD'A SEEN THAT GUY LAST NIGHT!
数学
TENMA...!!
TEN- ...!
DON'T YOU FALL ASLEEP IN MY CLASSROOM, YOU HEAR ME?!
COME ON, TENMA, WAKE YOURSELF UP!
IT'S YOUR JOB AS A STUDENT TO STAY ALERT AND ABSORB INFORMATION !!!
SO TENMA THINKS HE'S TOO GOOD FOR US, DOES HE?!
WHAT ARE YOU YAPPING ABOUT ?!
WHAT A LOAD OF BOLOGNA! TENMA'S NOT LIKE THAT!!
GET YOUR ACT TO-GETHER!!
OH... HI, MISS, UH... MISS ...
IS IT NOON ALREADY ...?
HAAH HHHHH...!
WHAT DID YOU SAY ...?!
HOW CAN YOU STILL BE ASLEEP ?!
TENMA!! TENMA!!!
WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU DREAMING ABOUT?!
Hah
ギュ!!

WHY IS IT JUST ME...?
HOW COME I GOT LOADED WITH EXTRA HOMEWORK ...?!
I'M SUPPOSED TO DO THESE TWO WHOLE BOOKS BY TOMORROW ...?
SHE CAN'T DO THIS TO ME!! SHE CAN'T!!
THIS IS ONLY MIDDLE SCHOOL, FOR PETE'S SAKE!
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THAT TEACHER OF MINE OUGHTA KNOW THAT BY NOW...
MAN ...

.....

UHH ...!

AH, NO! I DIDN'T... IT'S JUST ...!
WHAT ?!

NO... YOU GO FIRST ...
YOU WANNA ASK HIM ...?
?

SO WHAT IF I AM?
.....
TENMA-KUN... YOU'RE NOT MAD AT US, ARE YOU...?
UMMM ...

PLEASE HELP US OUT WITH THIS...!!
SO PLEASE ...

LIKE, UNBEAT-ABLE!
TENMA-KUN, WE HEAR THAT YOU'RE REALLY, REALLY GOOD AT MAHJONG!

HUH?
WE... WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

WE PLAYED SOME GUYS FROM KANTOU UNIVERSITY THE OTHER DAY...
THEY GOT US TO TAKE A REALLY OUTRAGEOUS BET!!
WE LOST OVER 150 THOUSAND YEN BE-TWEEN US!!
AND IT WASN'T JUST OUR MONEY ... THEY EVEN TOOK OUR ADMISSION CARDS FOR CRAM SCHOOL!!
WE REALLY DIDN'T THINK WE'D LOSE THAT MUCH ...!!
SO PLEEEEASE!!
PLEASE GET IT BACK FOR US...! WE CAN'T DO IT BY OURSELVES ...!!
TENMA-KUUUN!!
I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT!!
the truth is... I... I even lost my little sis's Bank savings ..!!
YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW.
TENMA-KUN!!!
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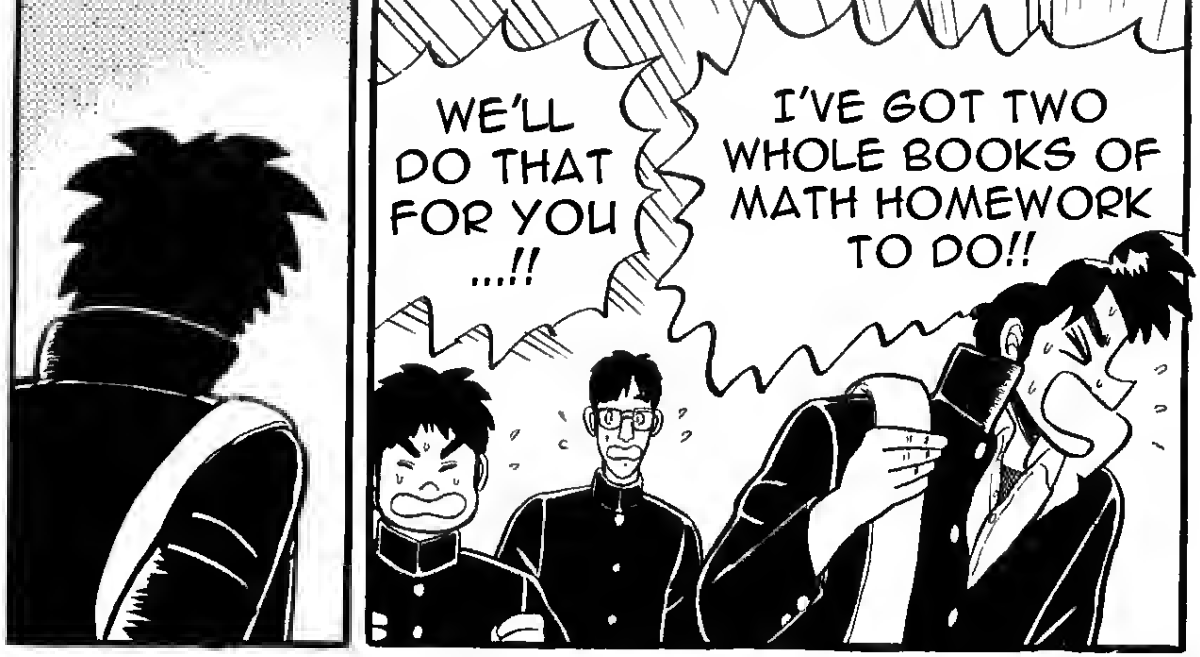
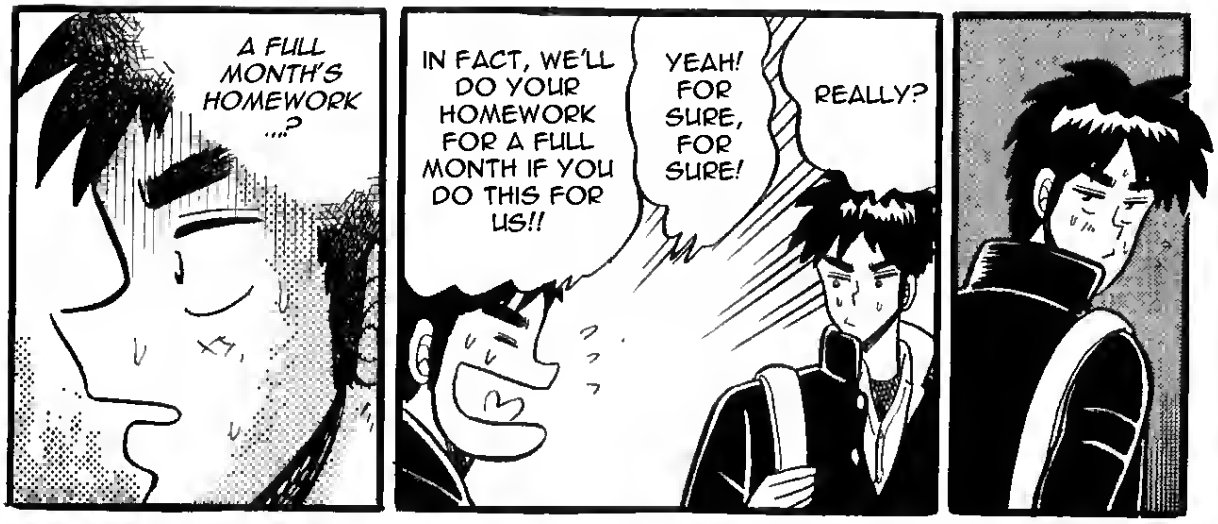
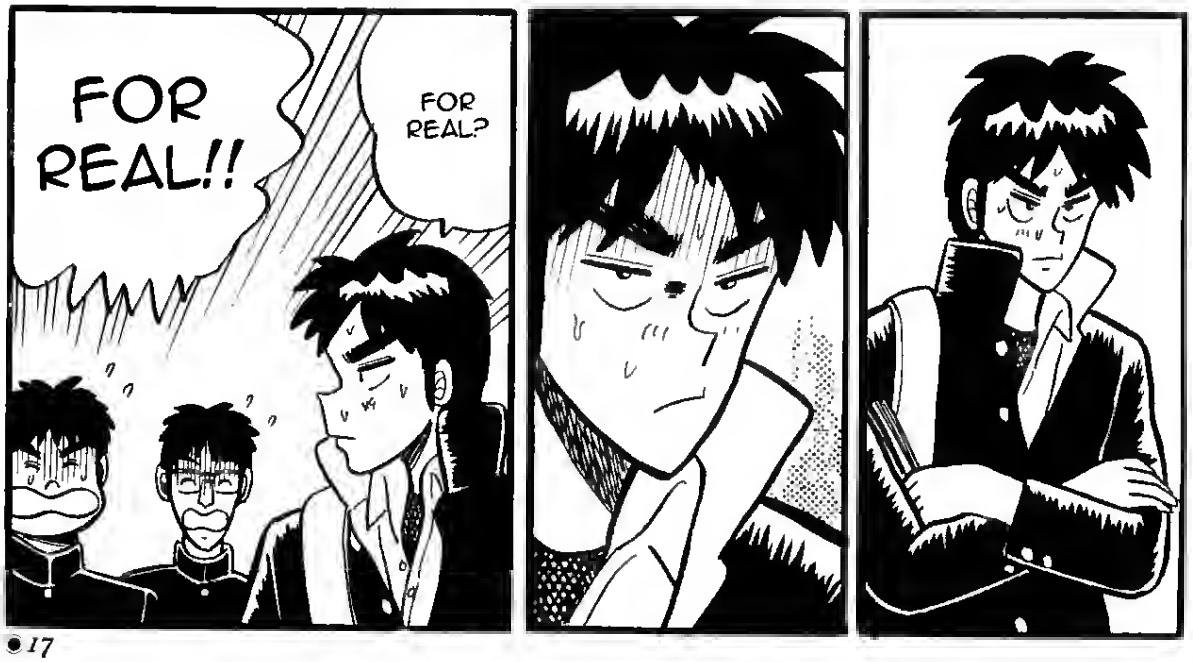

I'VE GOT TWO WHOLE BOOKS OF MATH HOMEWORK TO DO!!
WE'LL DO THAT FOR YOU ...!!


REALLY?
YEAH! FOR SURE, FOR SURE!
IN FACT, WE'LL DO YOUR HOMEWORK FOR A FULL MONTH IF YOU DO THIS FOR US!!
A FULL MONTH'S HOMEWORK ...?


FOR REAL?
FOR REAL!!

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GAME
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マリオン

THERE THEY ARE!

AH ...!!

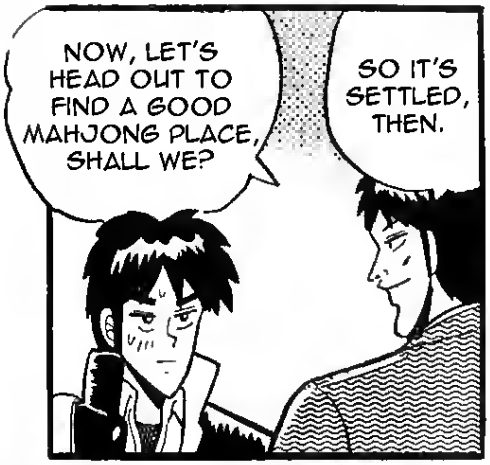
...WE DON'T EVEN KNOW IF THEY'LL BE HERE...
COME TO THINK OF IT ...

TH... THIS TIME, HE'LL BE THE ONE PLAYING!
LEMME JEST WARN YA, YOU AIN'T QUITE UP TO OUR LEVEL ...
SO YOU TWIRPS WANT A REMATCH, DO YA?

TCH ...
HE'S TENMA... HE MAY JUST BE A MIDDLE SCHOOL KID, BUT HE'S LIKE SOME KINDA DEMON AT MAHJONG!
THIS AIN'T GOOD... THAT KID...
YOU SER-IOUS?
WHAT?
HEY ...
HEY, YOU!
HOW MANY TIMES DO WE HAFETA BEAT YOU PUNKS, HUH? GET LOST!
NO WAY, YOU LITTLE CREEPS!
HUUUUUHHHH?!
WHAT KINDA CHICKEN RUNS AWAY FROM A MIDDLE SCHOOLER, HUH?
THAT'S ENOUGH.
WHAT'D YOU SAY ...?

YOSHII!
HE-HEY! YOSHII-SAN!
?
OH, JUST TAKING CARE OF SOME BUS-INESS.
WHA... WHAT'RE YOU DOIN' HERE ...?!
HE LOOKS LIKE THEIR BOSS OR SOMETHING ...
WHAT THE... WHO'S THIS GUY?!
.....
NO ...
WE DIDN'T PLAY *HIM* BACK THEN, DID WE ...?

OH, WELL, UH ...
BUT ANYWAY, BEFORE THAT ...
WHAT WERE YOU ARGUING WITH THESE KIDS ABOUT, HMM?


NOW, LET'S HEAD OUT TO FIND A GOOD MAHJONG PLACE, SHALL WE?
SO IT'S SETTLED, THEN.

IF YOU PLAY AGAINST 'EM, YOSHII-SAN...
W... WOW! THAT'S ...!
...WE MIGHT GET EVEN MORE MONEY THAN WE DID BEFORE!
HM-HMM ...

I'LL PLAY THEM FOR YOU.
FROM THE SOUND OF IT, IT MIGHT NOT BE TOTALLY BORING.
HUH ...?!

HMM?

IF I'M REMEMBERING RIGHT, THAT YOSHII GUY IS...!

THAT MAN ...

.....
HEH.

WHOEVER ENDS UP WITH LESS POINTS AT THE END OF THE GAME BETWEEN YOU AND I, OR RUNS OUT OF POINTS AT ANY TIME, WILL BE THE LOSER.
THIS MATCH WILL LAST FOR A SINGLE HANCHAN.

HEH, I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED.
I THINK I'VE SEEN YOU SOMEWHERE BEFORE...!
HEY, WAIT A MIN-UTE ...

TENMA-KUN!!
IS THAT REALLY OKAY ...?
SURE IT IS.

...SO WHAT SAY WE DOUBLE THE BET TO 300 THOUSAND YEN?
I'D SAY WE'RE BOTH FAIRLY CONFIDENT IN OUR ABILITIES ...

TELL ME WHAT YOU THINK.
IN ADDITON, I HAVE ONE FINAL PROPOSAL, TENMA-KUN.

TH... THE PRE-FECTURAL CHAM-PION?!
WHAAAT?!

I'VE LOST TRACK A HOW MANY PHOTOS PEOPLE TOOK WITH 'IM AT THE CHAMPIONSHIPS...
HE'S THIS YEAR'S MAHJONG CHAMPION OF THE KANTOU REGION.

SOUNDS LIKE FUN.
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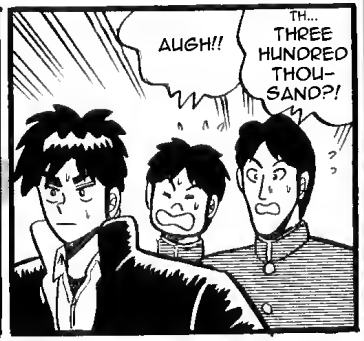
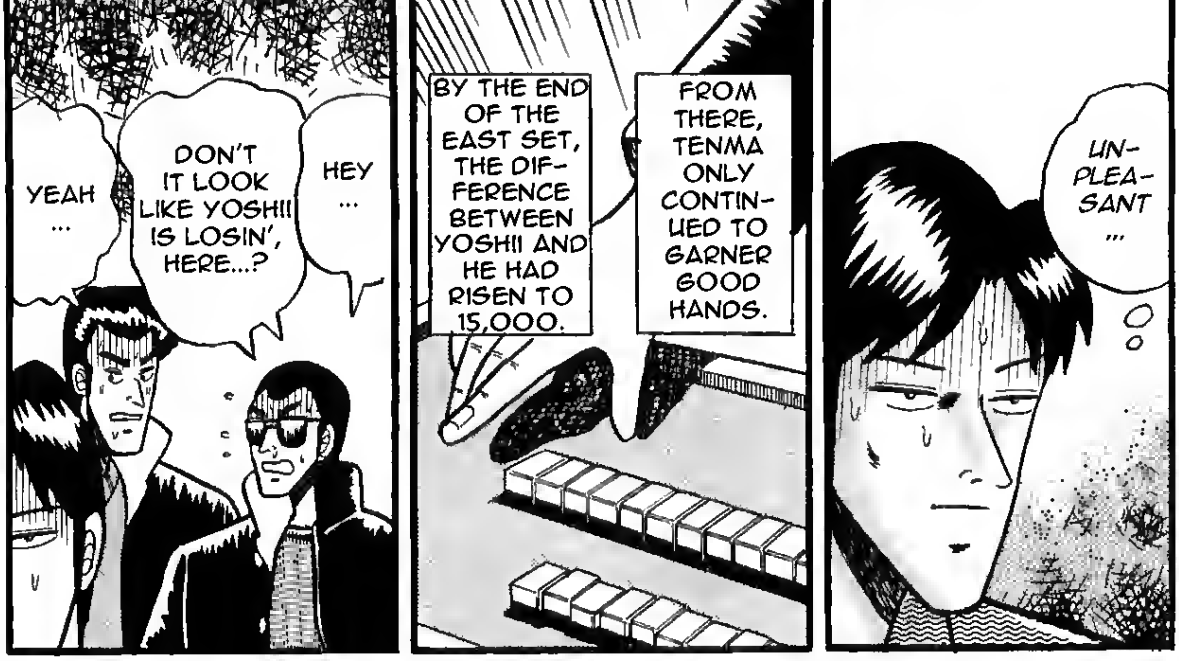
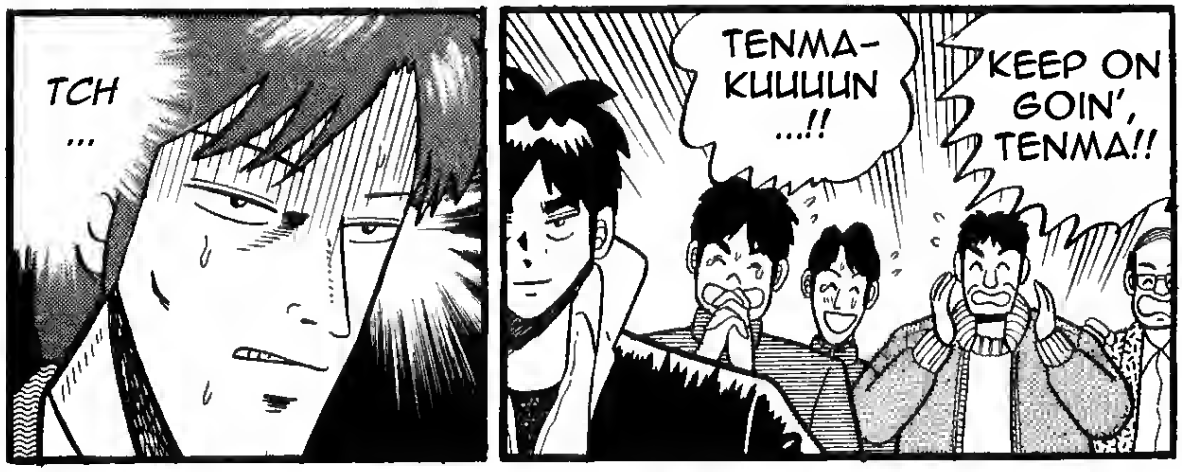
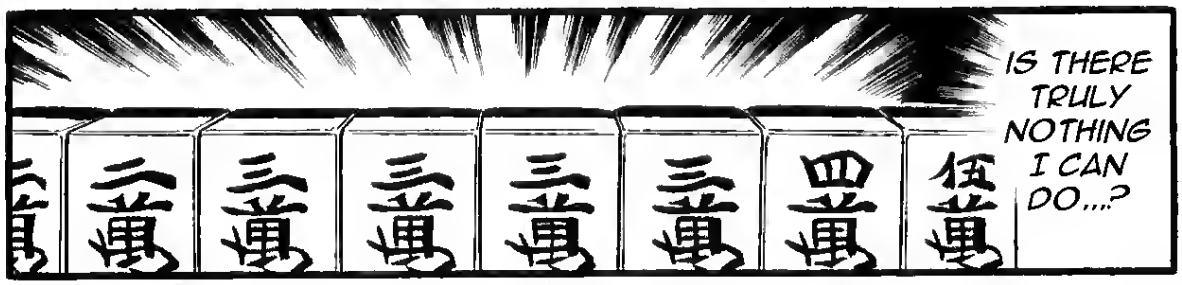

AUGH!!
TH... THREE HUNDRED THOU-SAND?!

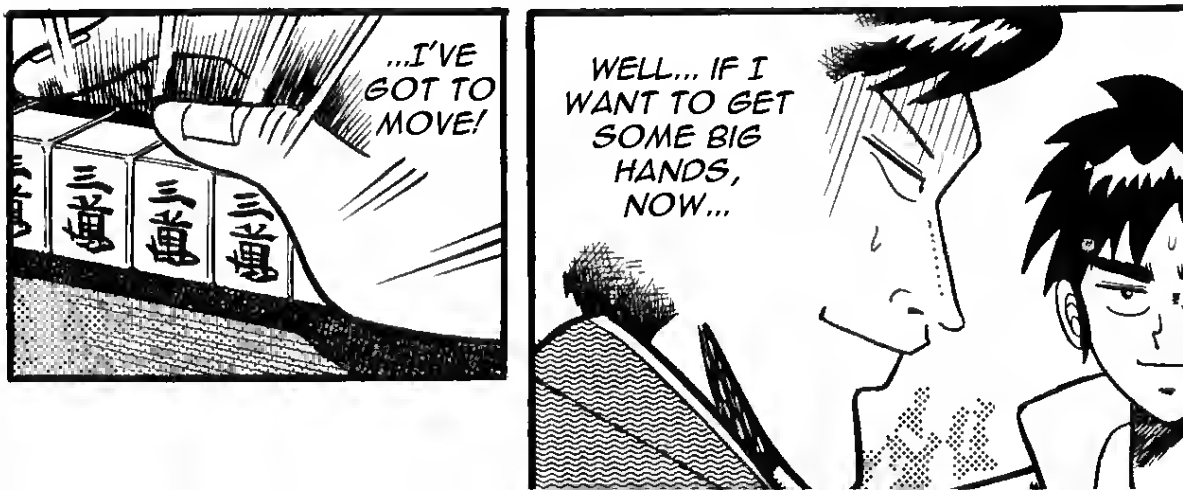
THE CHAMPION OF THE KANTOU STUDENT BODY...
YOSHII KENJI!
JUST LIKE I THOUGHT ...
.....
WE'RE DONE FOR!!
NO WAYYY !!!
...AND THE ART GALLERIES I OWN THAT ARE PLACED ALL OVER TOWN.
ABOUT MY LARGE AMOUNTS OF MONEY ...
LOOKS LIKE HE KNOWS WHO I AM ...
THIS ISN'T EXACTLY WHAT I HOPED WOULD HAPPEN ...
HMM-HM ...
TSUMO!
HOWEVER, IN THE EAST FIRST ROUND ...
HE'LL BE TOO NERVOUS AND AGITATED ...
WITH ALL OF THAT TO THINK ABOUT, HE'LL BE UNDER TOO MUCH PRESSURE TO PLAY A VERY CALM GAME OF MAHJONG ...
...OFF HIS GAME, STRAIGHT FROM THE OUTSET!

AND THEN, IN THE EAST SECOND ROUND ...
RON!
TANYAO, PINFU, SAN SHOKU!
MANGAN!
HEY, THIS IS PRETTY COOL!
TENMA'S GOT THE EARLY LEAD!!
THIS KID ...
HE ISN'T INTIMI-DATED IN THE LEAST ...!!
AND TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE, HE HAS MORE EXPERIENCE IN THIS TYPE OF MATCH THAN I HAD ANTICI-PATED...
HE HAS THE PACE OF THIS GAME UNDER HIS DOMINION STRAIGHT FROM THE BEGINNING!

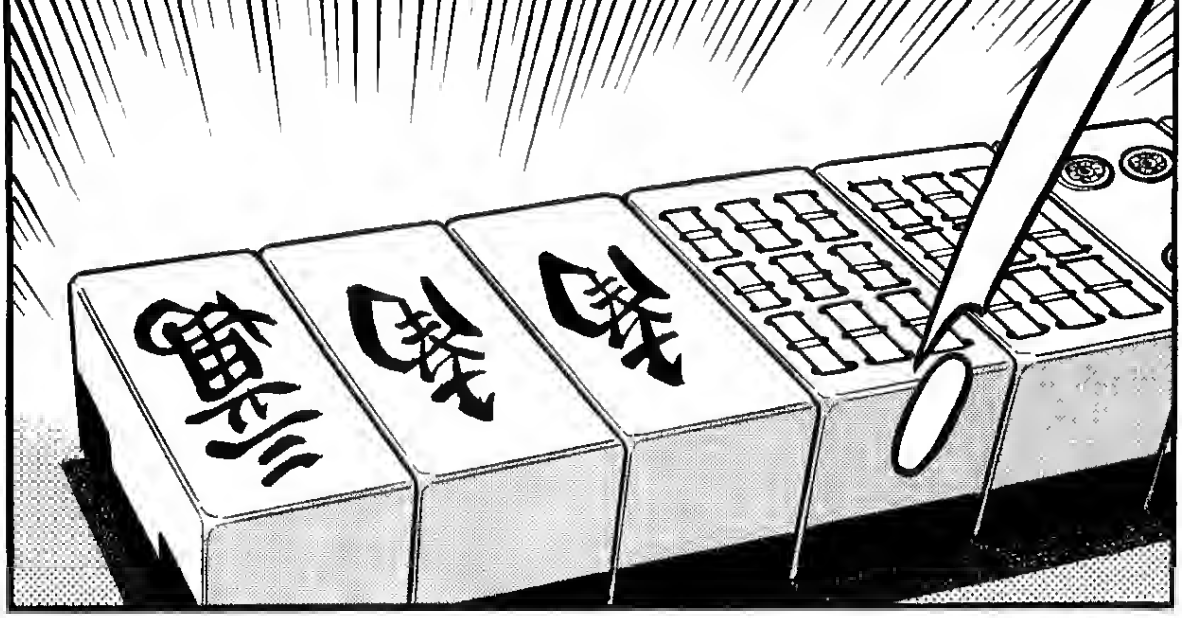

YEAH ...
DON'T IT LOOK LIKE YOSHII IS LOSIN', HERE...?
HEY ...
BY THE END OF THE EAST SET, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YOSHII AND HE HAD RISEN TO 15,000.
FROM THERE, TENMA ONLY CONTINUED TO GARNER GOOD HANDS.
UNPLEASANT ...

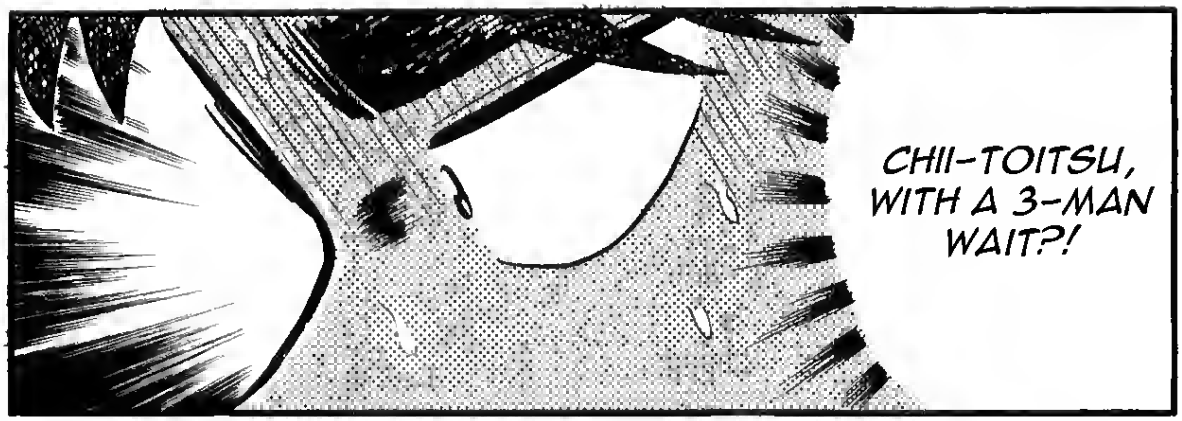

TCH ...
TENMA-KUUUUN ...!!
KEEP ON GOIN', TENMA!!


IS THERE TRULY NOTHING I CAN DO...?

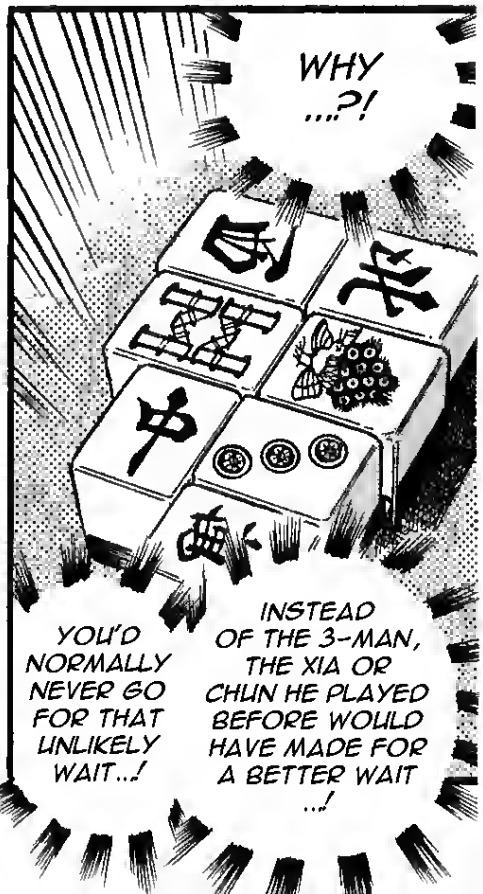

...I'VE GOT TO MOVE!
WELL... IF I WANT TO GET SOME BIG HANDS, NOW...

SOUTH 1
SOUTH 1 ROUND
YOSHII'S RIICHI
IT'S PROBABLY CHII-TOITSU.
THOSE DISCARDS DO A PRETTY GOOD JOB OF NOT GIVING HIS HAND AWAY, BUT...
TENMA'S HAND
WAS HE JUST FAKING A CHII-TOITSU HAND?!
OH, CRAP...!
GH ...!!
RON!
PLUS, IF HE HAS CHII-TOITSU, HE WON'T BE WAITING FOR THIS.
WITH THIS 3-MAN, I'LL BE IN A 3-SIDED WAIT.




CHII-TOITSU, WITH A 3-MAN WAIT?!

WELL, WHAT HAVE WE, HERE?
IT'S ALMOST LIKE HE KNEW I'D PLAY THE 3-MAN ON MY NEXT TURN!


WHY ...?!
YOU'D NORMALLY NEVER GO FOR THAT UNLIKELY WAIT...!
INSTEAD OF THE 3-MAN, THE XIA OR CHUN HE PLAYED BEFORE WOULD HAVE MADE FOR A BETTER WAIT ...!

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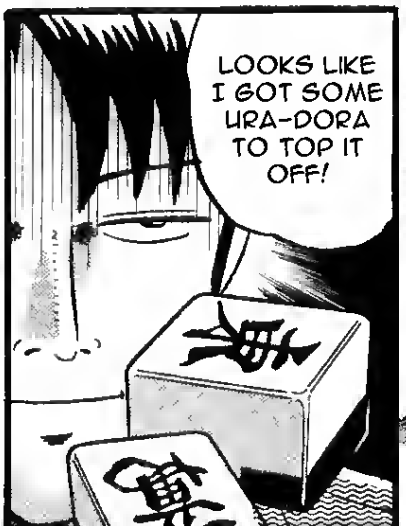
LOOKS LIKE I GOT SOME URA-DORA TO TOP IT OFF!

AND THEN, IN THE SOUTH THIRD ROUND ...
HE WAS UN-MATCHED IN THE SOUTH SECOND ROUND.
AFTER THIS WIN, YOSHII FOLLOWED UP BY GOING ON A VIGOROUS WINNING STREAK.
TSUMO! 6000/ 3000!
IT SEEMS LIKE THIS COLLEGE KID IS ALWAYS ONE STEP AHEAD OF HIM.
TENMA'S BEEN PLAYING A VERY GOOD GAME, SO FAR, BUT...
.....
YOSHII ALL BUT SETTLES IT WITH A CHIN ITSU TSUMO!
MAN, OH, MAN ...
IT'S REALLY HOPE-LESS, NOW ...
THE REAL BATTLE STARTS NOW!
IT'S FINE, DON'T WORRY!
tenma-kuuuunn ...!!

I BELIEVE IN MYSELF!
IT'S THE TRUTH!
ARE YOU FORGETTING THAT I HAVE A 31,000-POINT LEAD, AND YOU HAVE MERELY A SINGLE ROUND TO MAKE IT UP?
HMM-HM... IS THAT A FACT?
tenma-kun !!
I BELIEVE IN MAHJONG!
NO... MORE THAN THAT...
THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS WIND THAT ONLY BLOWS IN A SINGLE DIRECTION!
THE FINAL ROUND
SOUTH FOURTH ROUND
THE WIND WILL COME BACK MY WAY, NO DOUBT ABOUT IT!

TENMA'S STARTING HAND
TENMA HAS TO MAKE UP THE DIFFERENCE OF 31,000 POINTS IN JUST THIS SINGLE ROUND!
SO THIS IS WHAT I'VE GOT TO WORK WITH...
...AND THIS PART INTO SETS OF THREE!
I'VE GOTTA TURN THIS PART...
IF I WANT TO MAKE UP THE DIFFERENCE OF 31,000 POINTS, I'VE GOT NO CHOICE BUT TO TAKE THIS HAND TO A SUU-ANKOU*!
1ST TURN
GH ...!
2ND TURN
3RD TURN
*"SUU-ANKOU" REFERS TO A HAND WHERE THERE ARE FOUR SETS OF "ANKOU" (SAME THREE TILES, CONCEALED IN ONE'S HAND). AMONG ALL THE HANDS IN MAHJONG, ITS VALUE IS AMONG THE HIGHEST (A YAKUMAN HAND)

AND THEN, THE 6TH TURN ...!
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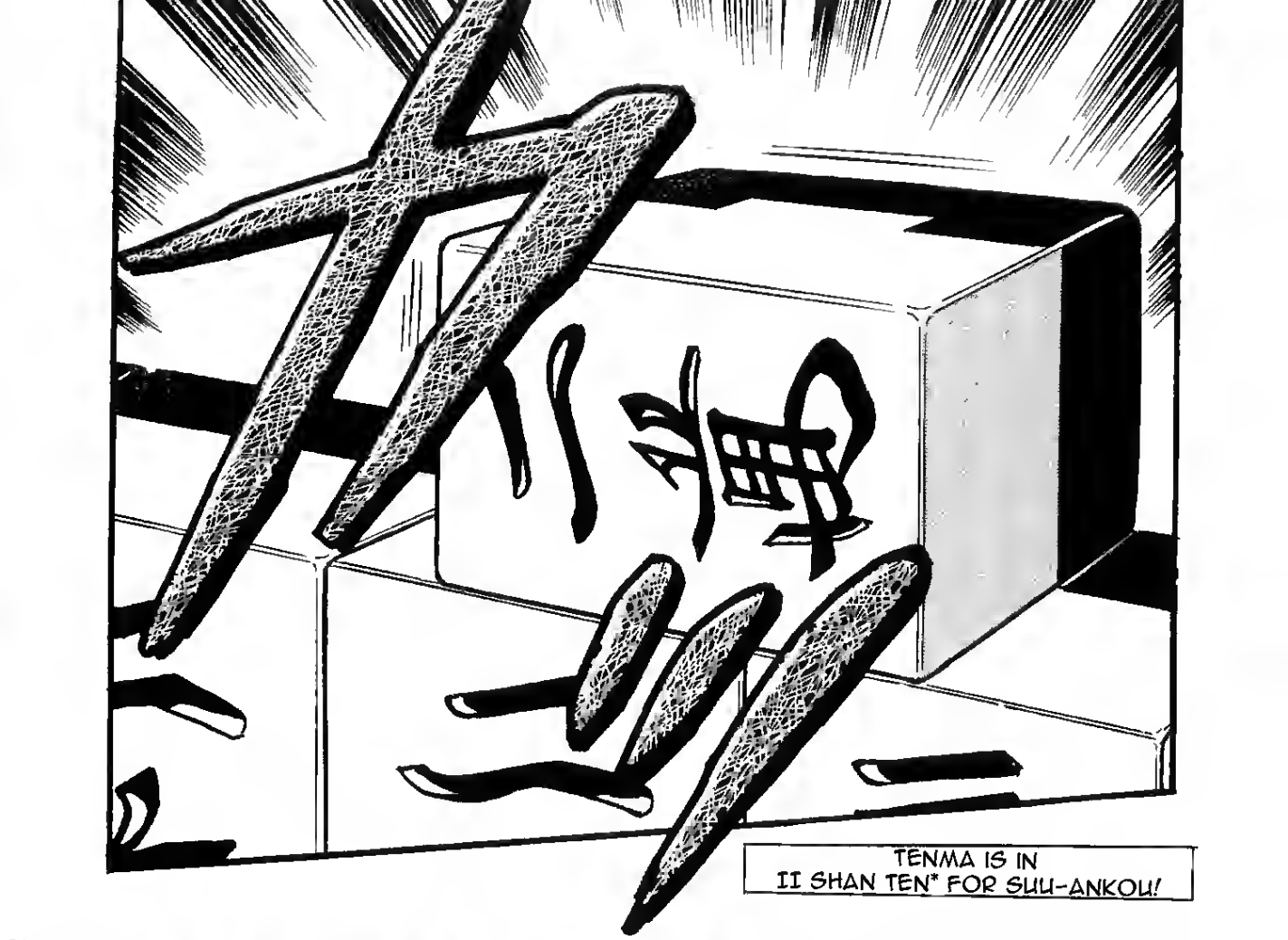
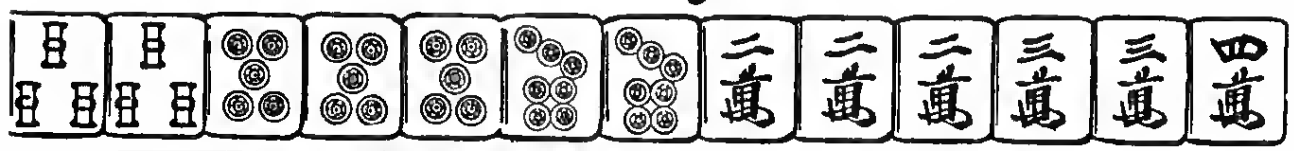
THE 9TH TURN ...!





*THE STATE ONE TILE AWAY FROM REACH-ING TENPAI

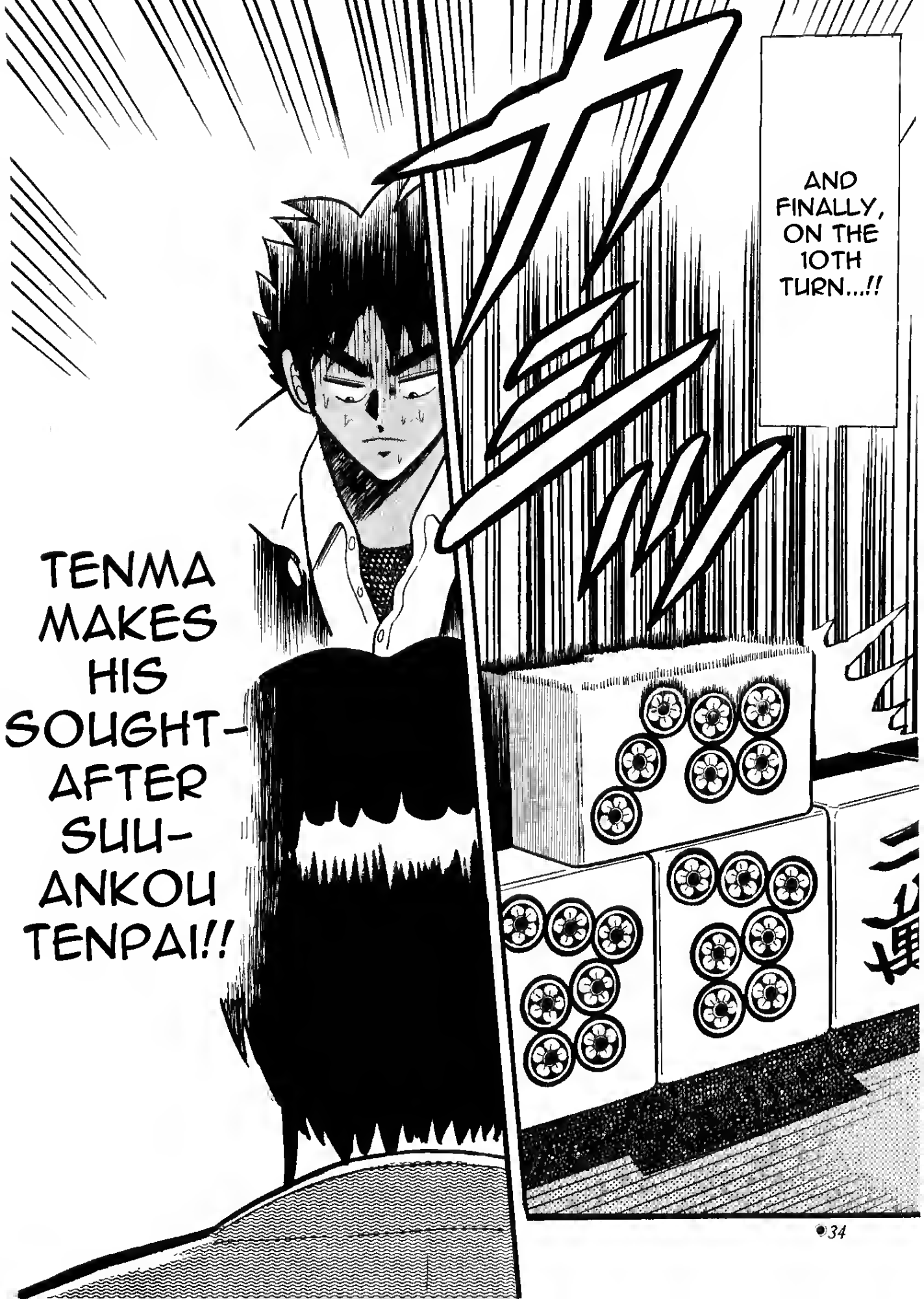
HE REALLY MANAGED TO GET IT, RIGHT AT THE END ...!!

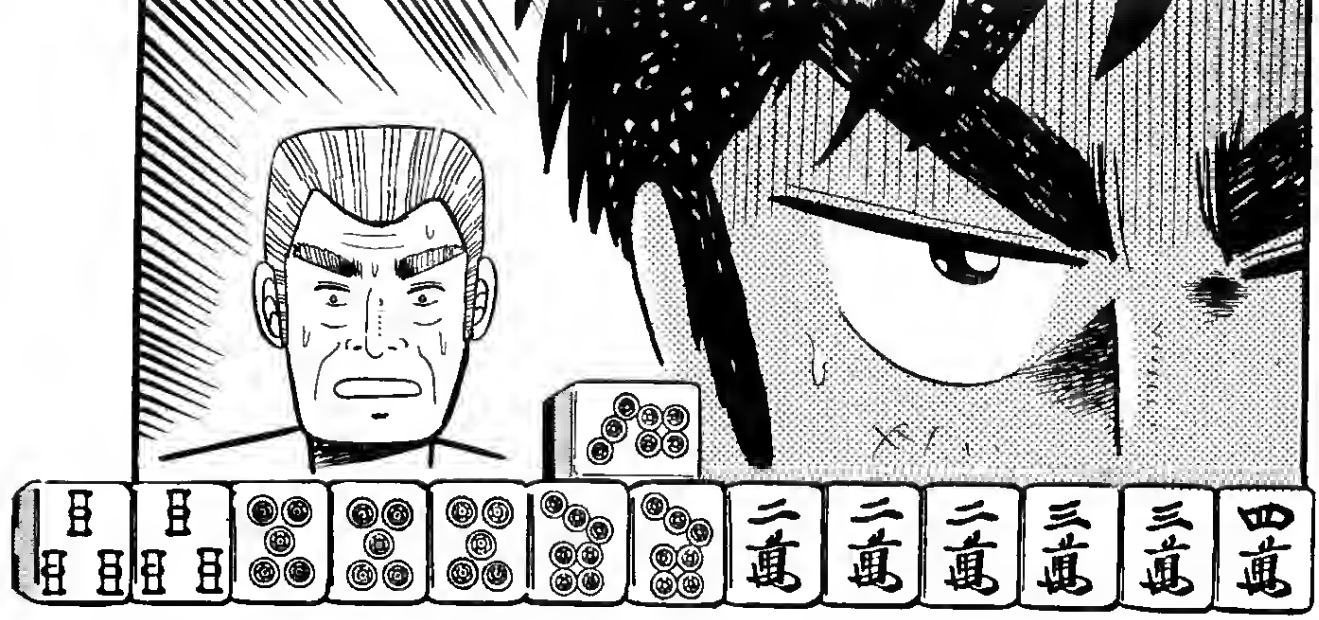
THIS TENMA GUY ...!

KH ...!!

CAN HE REALLY ...?

NOW HE'S GOT THE FLOW OF THE DRAWS ...!


AND FINALLY, ON THE 10TH TURN...!!
TENMA MAKES HIS SOUGHT-AFTER SUU-ANKOU TENPAI!!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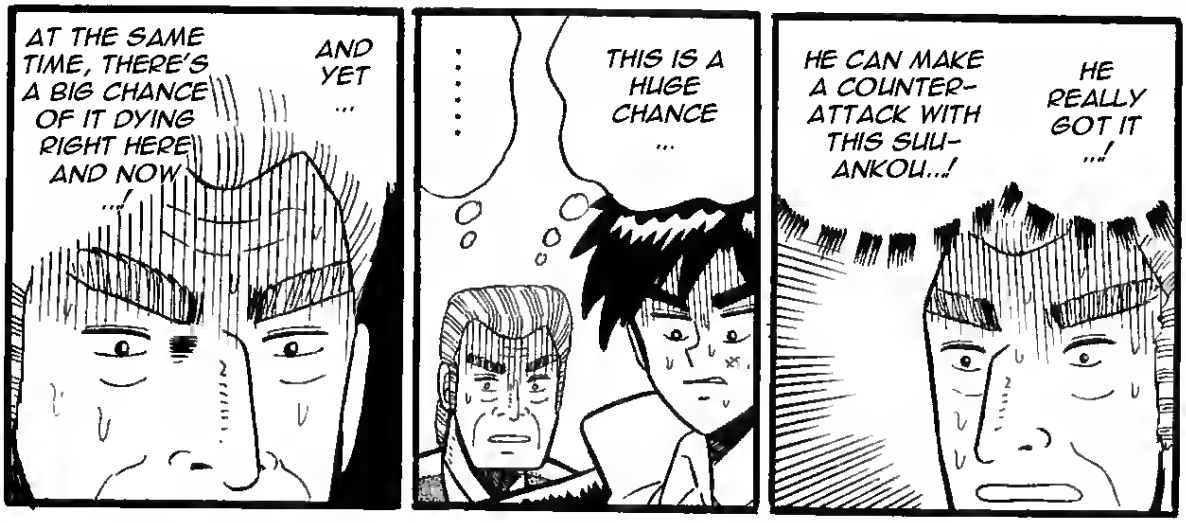
AT THE SAME TIME, THERE'S A BIG CHANCE OF IT DYING RIGHT HERE AND NOW ...!
AND YET ...
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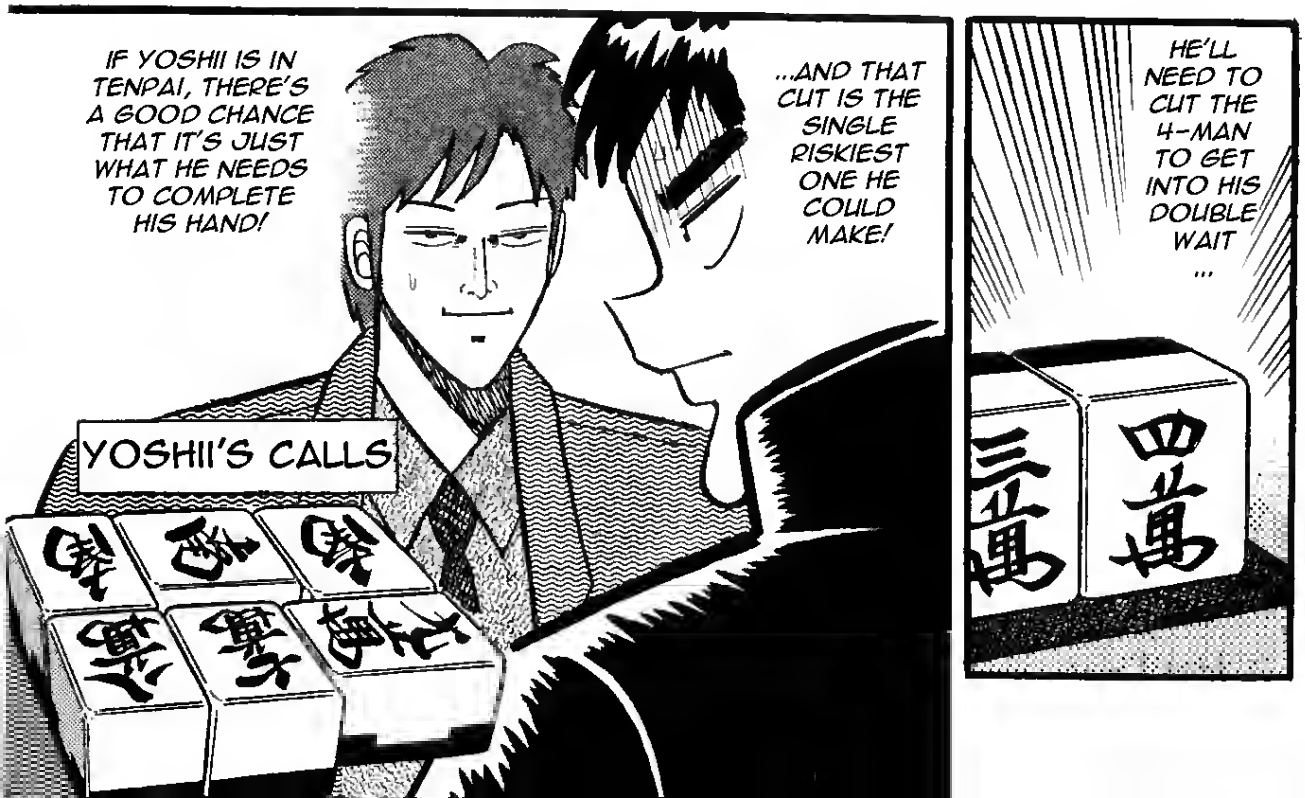
THIS IS A HUGE CHANCE ...
HE CAN MAKE A COUNTER-ATTACK WITH THIS SUU-ANKOU...!
HE REALLY GOT IT ...!


IF YOSHII IS IN TENPAI, THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE THAT IT'S JUST WHAT HE NEEDS TO COMPLETE HIS HAND!
...AND THAT CUT IS THE SINGLE RISKIEST ONE HE COULD MAKE!
HE'LL NEED TO CUT THE 4-MAN TO GET INTO HIS DOUBLE WAIT ...
YOSHII'S CALLS
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YOSHII'S CHUN/ 4-MAN DOUBLE WAIT
J... JUST LIKE I THOUGHT ...!
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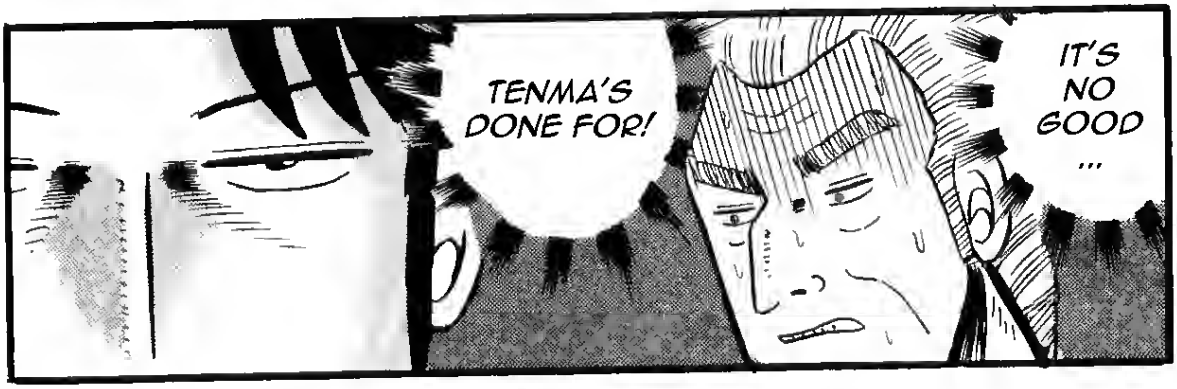
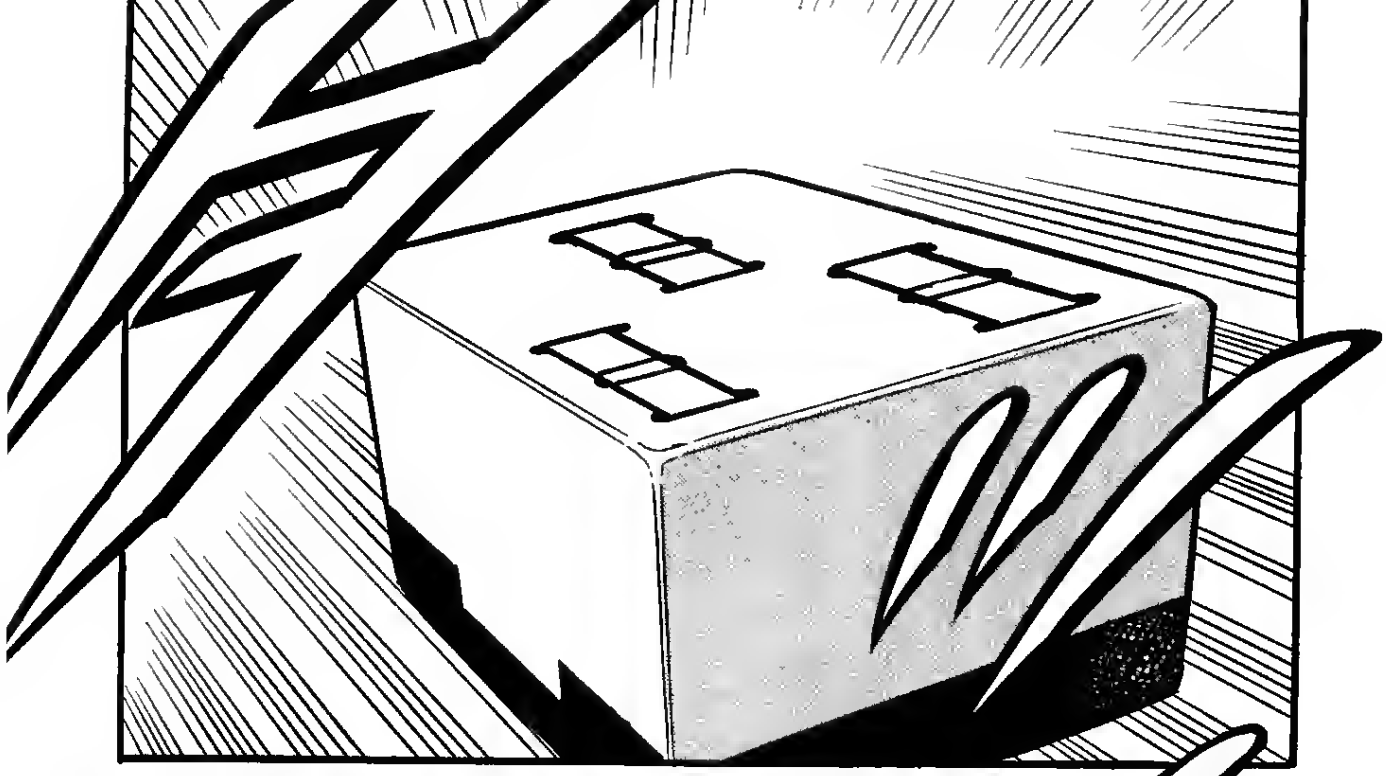
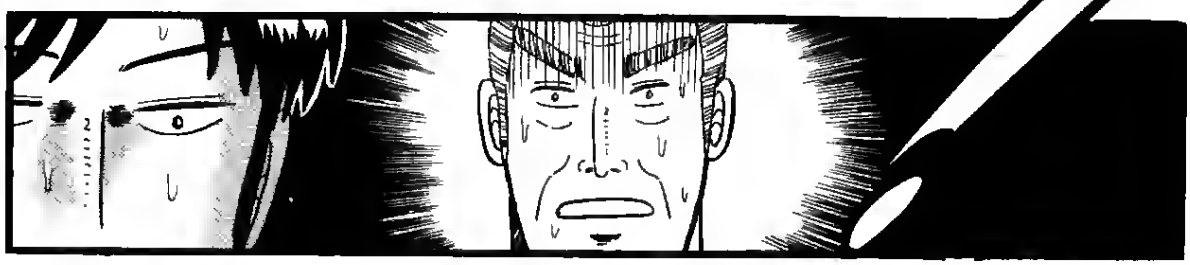
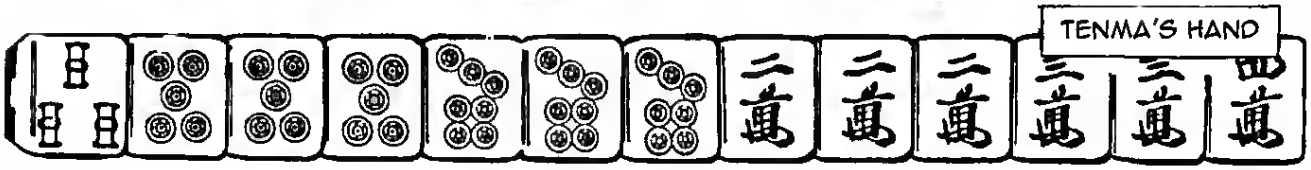

TENMA'S DONE FOR!
IT'S NO GOOD ...

THIS IS THE END... TENMA.
SOMETIMES, THAT'S ALL YOU CAN DO IN A MATCH OF THIS LEVEL...
OF COURSE, TENMA **COULD** SEE THROUGH IT AND NOT PLAY HIS 4-MAN... BUT IT WILL ONLY HOLD HIM BACK IF HE KEEPS IT!
EVEN IF HE KNOWS IT'S DANGER-OUS...
HE HAS TO PLAY IT!






TENMA'S HAND

...HE KNEW TO TAKE APART HIS SUU-ANKOU!
EVEN AT THIS FINAL HOUR...
THAT TENMA KID ...

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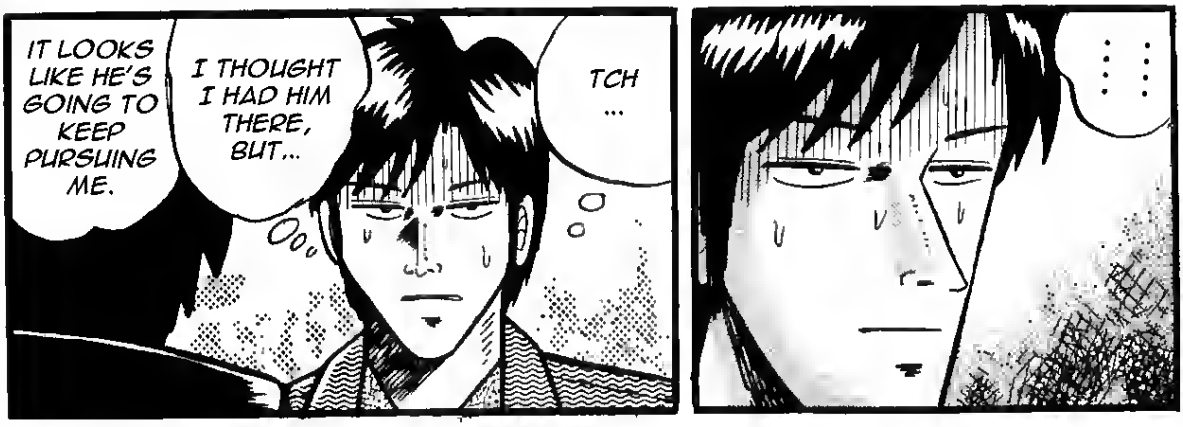
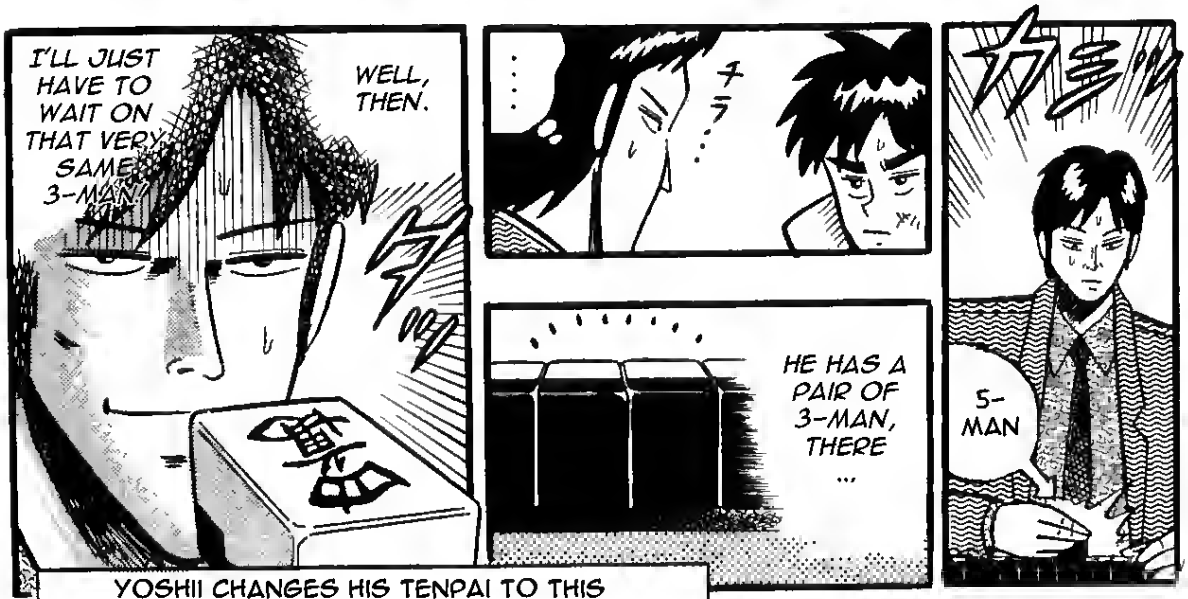
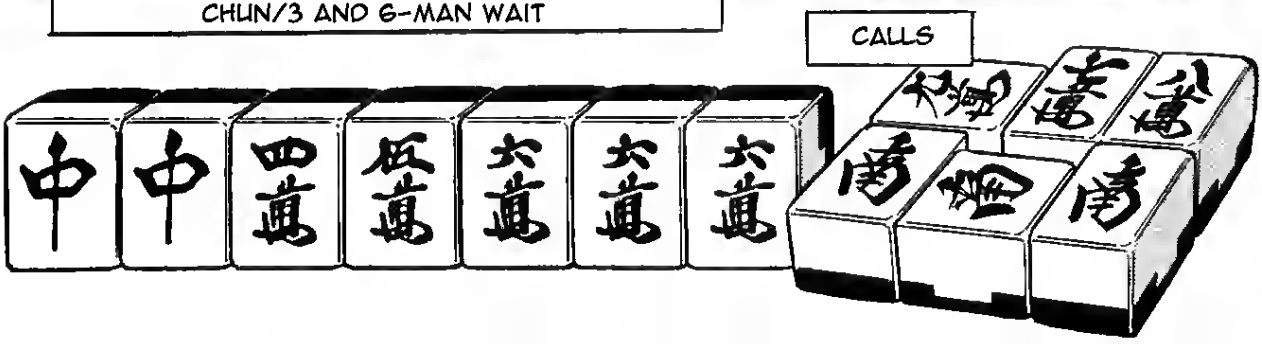
HE'S MOVED BEYOND JUST SHEER TALENT ...
HE ACTUALLY BROKE UP ONE OF HIS PAIRS!
I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE IT...!

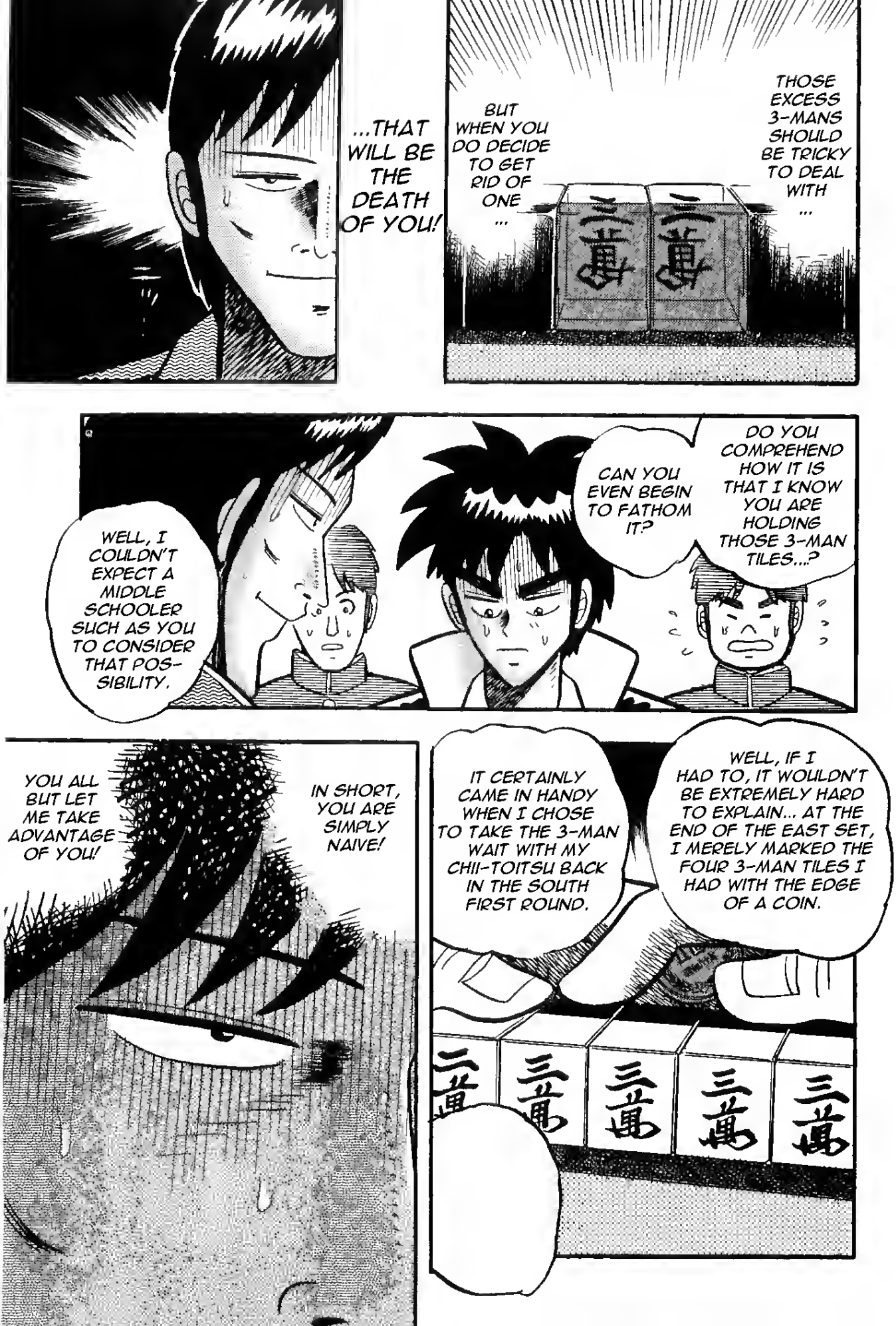
THE COURAGE TO MOVE FORWARD...
THE DEALING DERIVED FROM TENMA'S BOTTOMLESS MAHJONG INSTINCT!
THIS IS NOW THE REALM OF COURAGE!

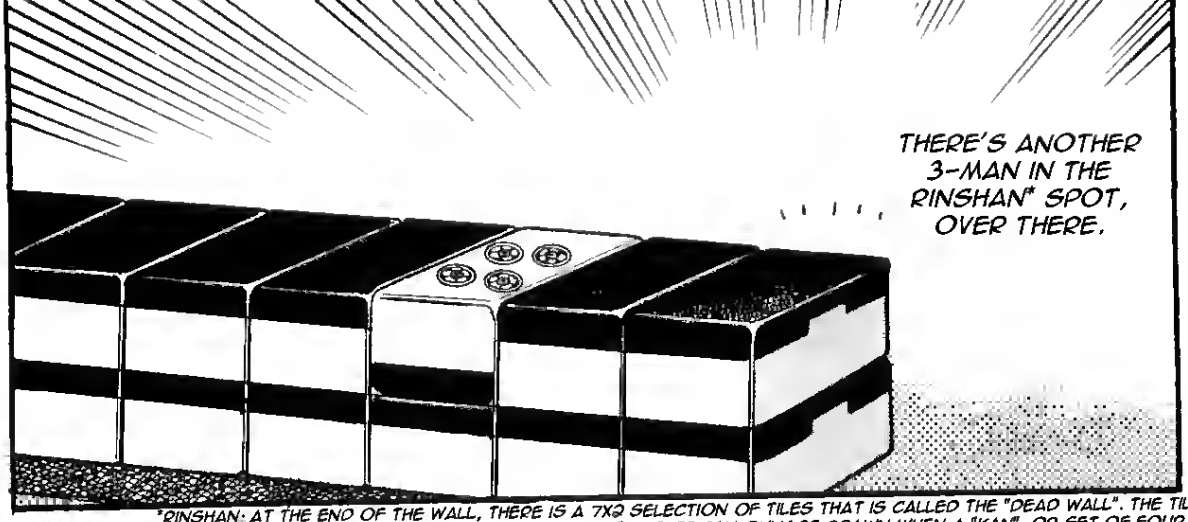




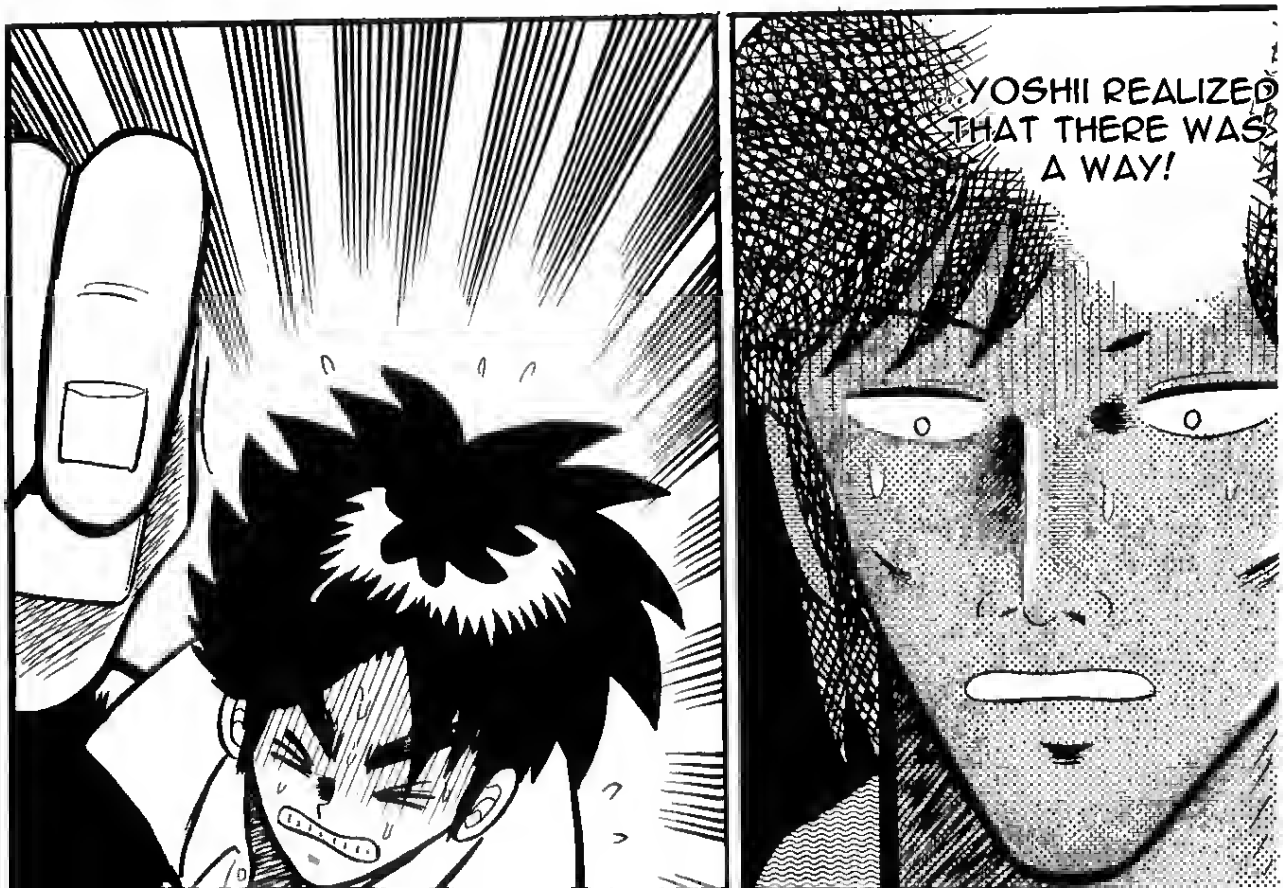
YOSHII CHANGES HIS TENPAI TO THIS CHUN/3 AND 6-MAN WAIT




...THAT WILL BE THE DEATH OF YOU!
BUT WHEN YOU DO DECIDE TO GET RID OF ONE ...
THOSE EXCESS 3-MANS SHOULD BE TRICKY TO DEAL WITH ...
WELL, I COULDN'T EXPECT A MIDDLE SCHOOLER SUCH AS YOU TO CONSIDER THAT POS-SIBILITY.
CAN YOU EVEN BEGIN TO FATHOM IT?
DO YOU COMPREHEND HOW IT IS THAT I KNOW YOU ARE HOLDING THOSE 3-MAN TILES...?
YOU ALL BUT LET ME TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOU!
IN SHORT, YOU ARE SIMPLY NAIVE!
IT CERTAINLY CAME IN HANDY WHEN I CHOSE TO TAKE THE 3-MAN WAIT WITH MY CHII-TOITSU BACK IN THE SOUTH FIRST ROUND.
WELL, IF I HAD TO, IT WOULDN'T BE EXTREMELY HARD TO EXPLAIN... AT THE END OF THE EAST SET, I MERELY MARKED THE FOUR 3-MAN TILES I HAD WITH THE EDGE OF A COIN.



*RINSHAN: AT THE END OF THE WALL, THERE IS A 7X2 SELECTION OF TILES THAT IS CALLED THE "DEAD WALL". THE TILE ON THE FAR END OF THE TOP ROW IS THE "RINSHAN" TILE. IT CAN ONLY BE DRAWN WHEN A "KAN", OR SET OF FOUR SIMILAR TILES, IS MADE.



ONE AWAY FROM WHAT HE NEEDS ...
AHHH, ALMOST!
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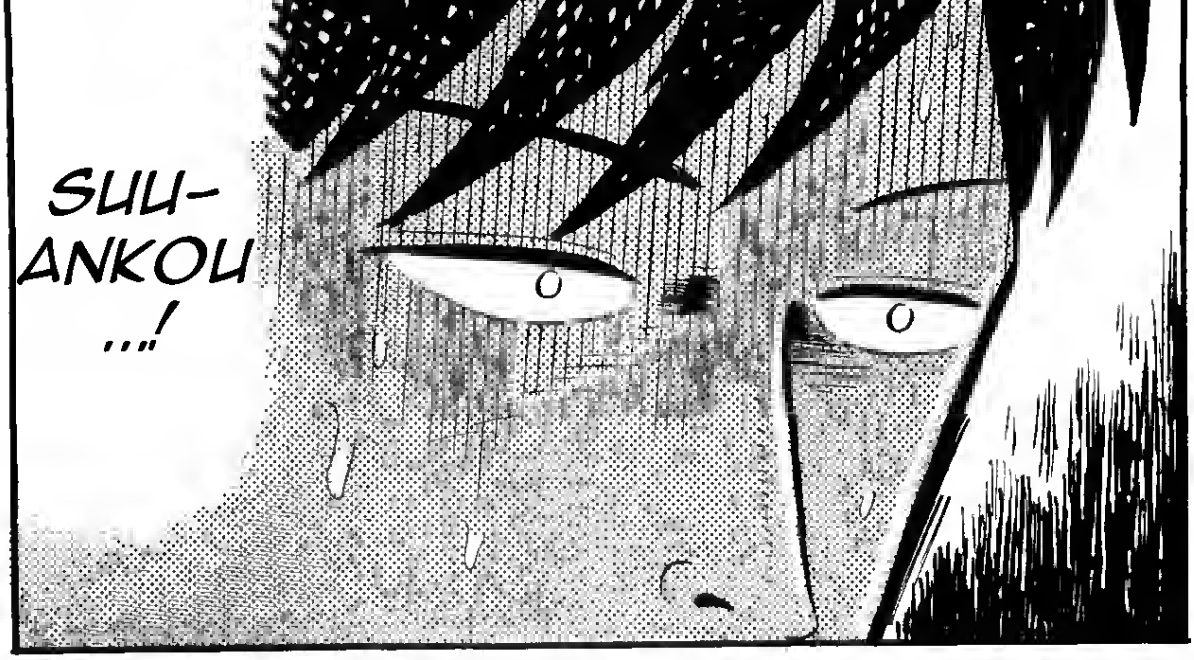
SUU-
ANKOU
...!

IF HE WANTED TO OVERTAKE ME, OF COURSE HE'D BE AIMING FOR A YAKU-MAN HAND!!
I SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST PLANNED FOR SUCH A ROAD TO VICTORY...!
WHAT AN OVER-SIGHT!

TENMA'S 12TH TURN...!
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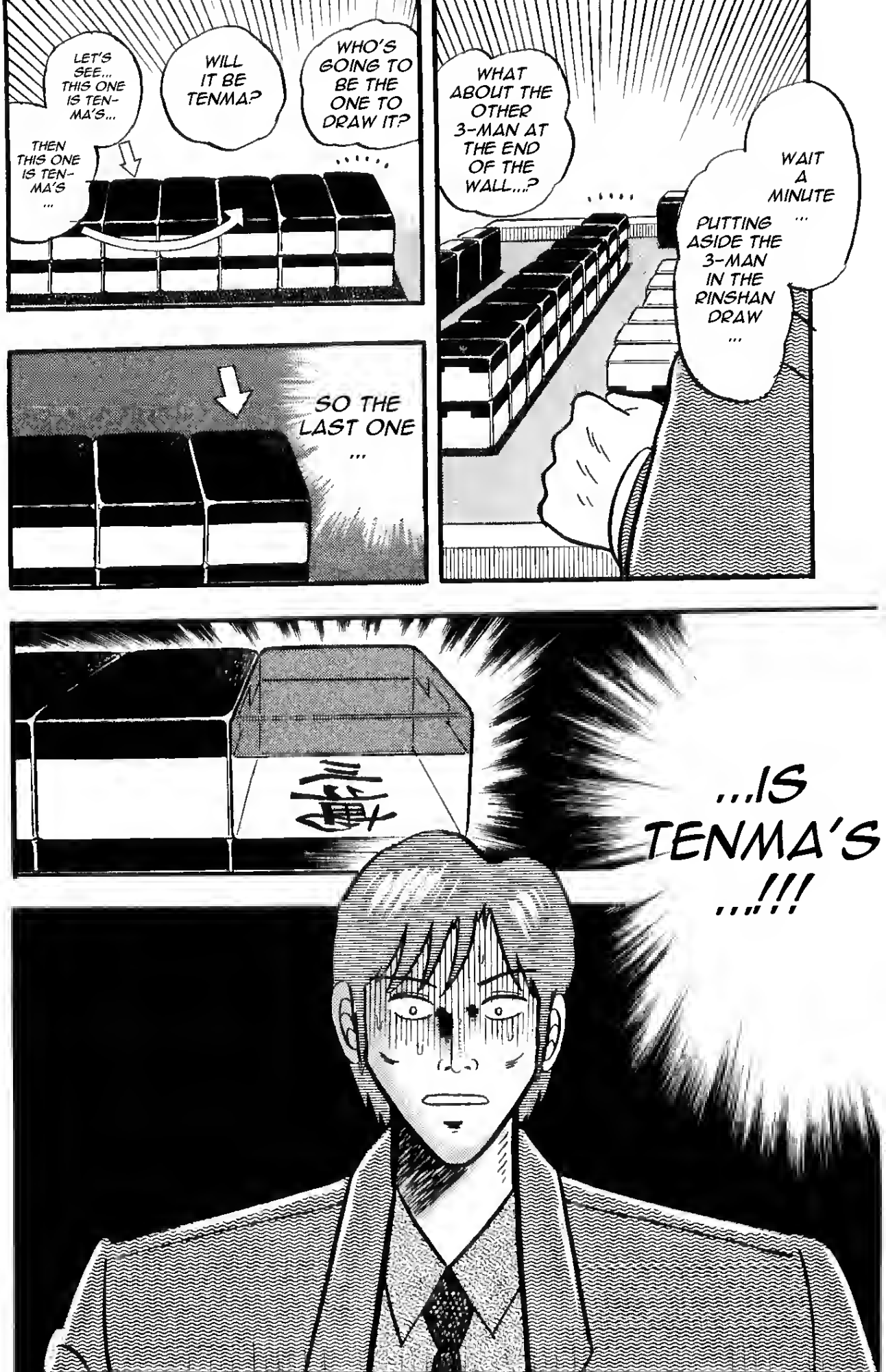
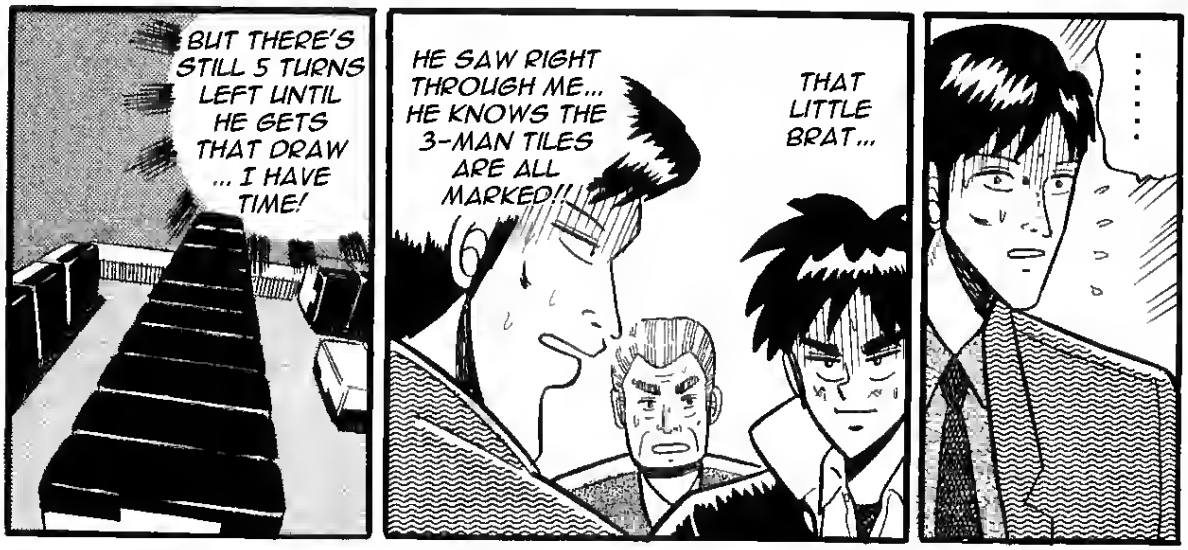
TENMA IS ONCE AGAIN IN TENPAI FOR SUU-ANKOU!
RIICHI!
HE REALLY DID INTIGRATE HIS 3-MAN TILES INTO HIS HAND ...
HE GOT BACK TO TENPAI ...
HE GOT INTO THAT SHAPE WITHOUT HAVING TO REACH FOR ANYTHING!
DAMMIT ...!


LET'S SEE... THIS ONE IS TEN-MA'S...
WILL IT BE TENMA?
WHO'S GOING TO BE THE ONE TO DRAW IT?
THEN THIS ONE IS TEN-MA'S ...
WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER 3-MAN AT THE END OF THE WALL...?
WAIT A MINUTE ...
PUTTING ASIDE THE 3-MAN IN THE RINSHAN DRAW ...
SO THE LAST ONE ...
...IS TENMA'S ...!!!


BUT THERE'S STILL 5 TURNS LEFT UNTIL HE GETS THAT DRAW ... I HAVE TIME!
HE SAW RIGHT THROUGH ME... HE KNOWS THE 3-MAN TILES ARE ALL MARKED!!
THAT LITTLE BRAT...
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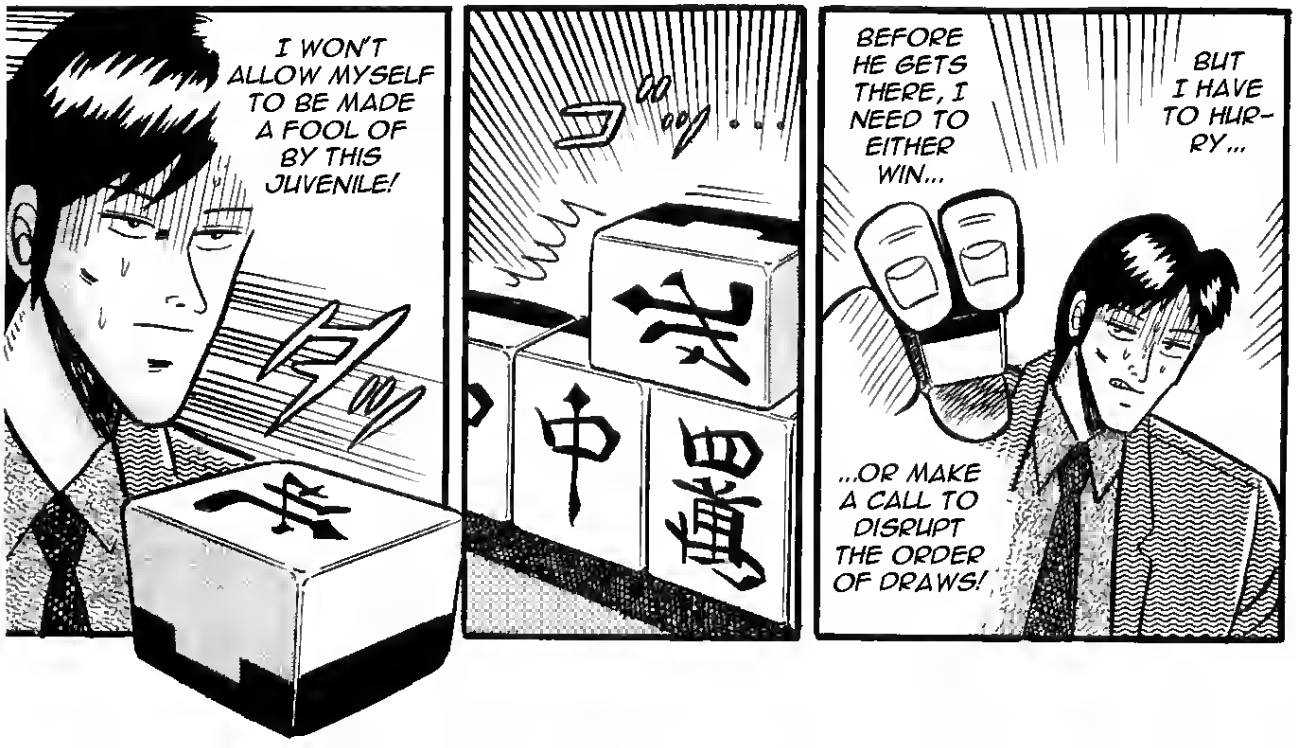
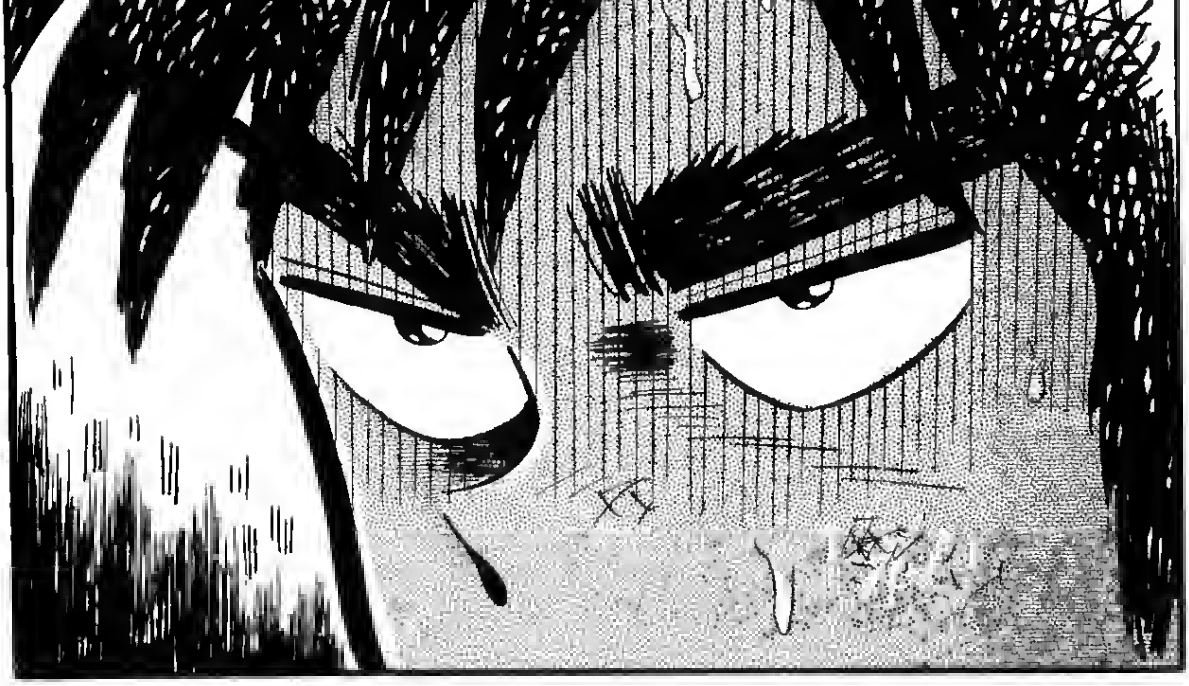
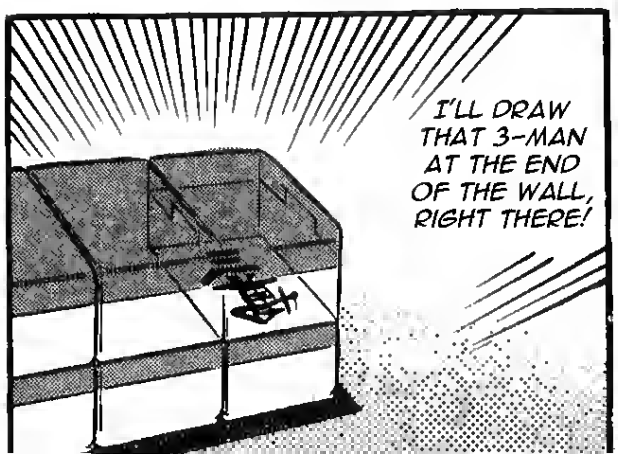
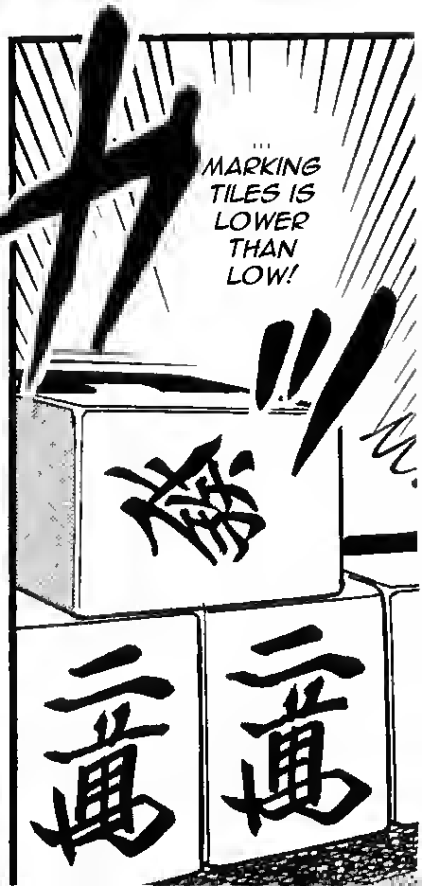

I WON'T ALLOW MYSELF TO BE MADE A FOOL OF BY THIS JUVENILE!
BEFORE HE GETS THERE, I NEED TO EITHER WIN...
BUT I HAVE TO HURRY...
...OR MAKE A CALL TO DISRUPT THE ORDER OF DRAWS!



EVEN IF IT'S TO WIN
...
YOU PLAY DIRTY!
YOSHII KENJI
...

I WON'T LET SCUM LIKE YOU GET THE BETTER OF ME!


I'LL DRAW THAT 3-MAN AT THE END OF THE WALL, RIGHT THERE!


... MARKING TILES IS LOWER THAN LOW!
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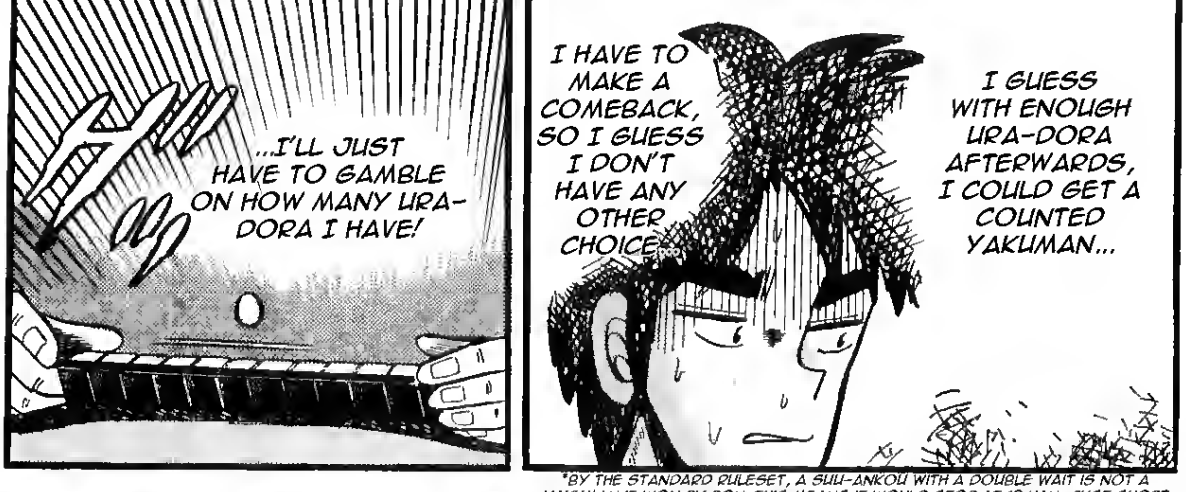
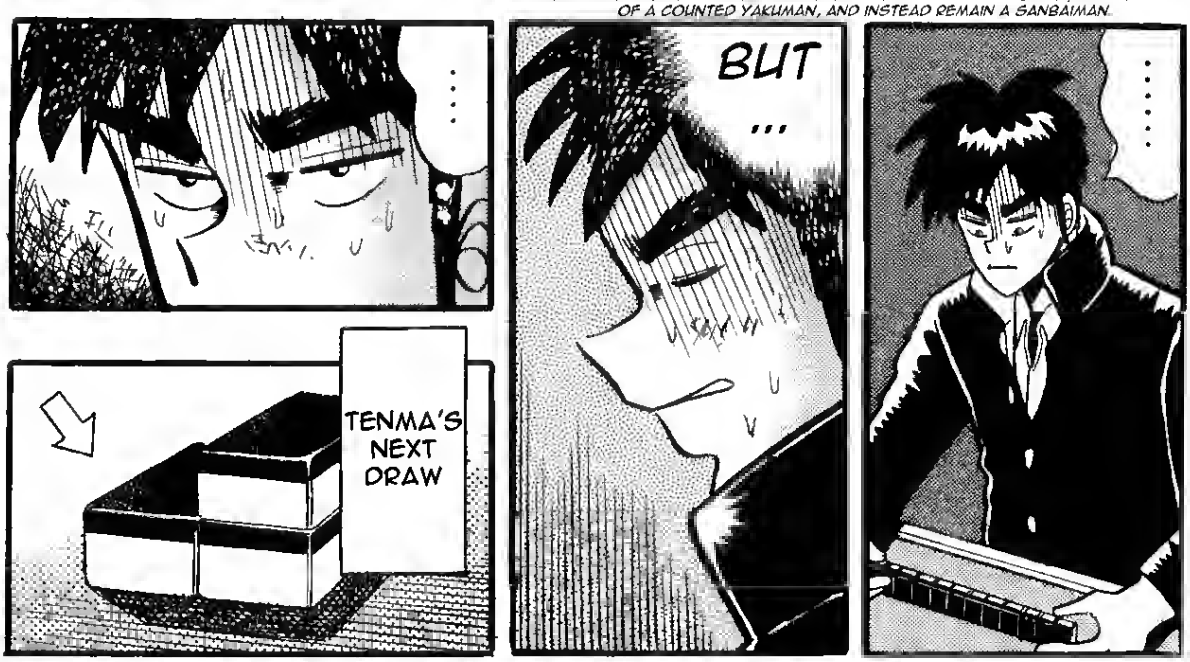
HOWEVER, THE TURN BEFORE TENMA WAS TO DRAW THAT TILE...
CHI!!
URGH ...!!
AT LAST, I HAVE TRIUMPHED!
HM- HMM ...

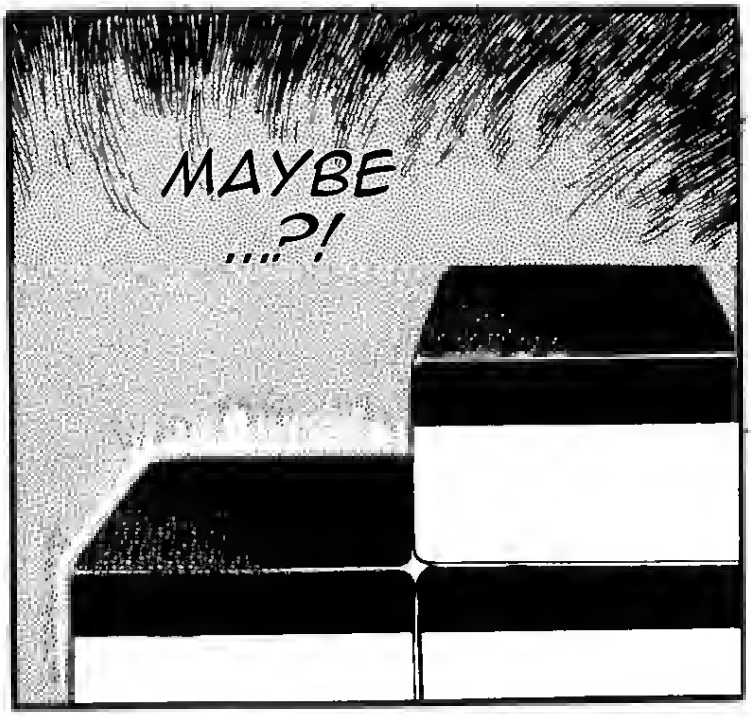
tenmaaaa
tenma-kun
JUST BE GLAD YOU MADE IT ALL THE WAY TO A SUU-ANKOU TENPAI AGAINST A PLAYER LIKE ME!
HEH ...
WITH THIS, I'VE HALTED HIS ATTEMPTS TO DRAW HIS FINAL WINNING TILE...
I'VE CUT OFF ALL POS-SIBILITIES FOR A COMEBACK VICTORY!
S-MAN...?!
...IT'S ONE OF MY TWO OUTS WITH THIS HAND...!
I COULD CALL RON OFF THAT ...
IF I CALL THE WIN FROM THAT, I WON'T GET A SUU-ANKOU!
BUT ...


...I'LL JUST HAVE TO GAMBLE ON HOW MANY URA-DORA I HAVE!
I HAVE TO MAKE A COMEBACK, SO I GUESS I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER CHOICE.
I GUESS WITH ENOUGH URA-DORA AFTERWARDS, I COULD GET A COUNTED YAKUMAN...

*BY THE STANDARD RULESET, A SUU-ANKOU WITH A DOUBLE WAIT IS NOT A YAKUMAN IF WON BY RON. THIS MEANS IT WOULD STOP AT 12 HAN, JUST SHORT OF A COUNTED YAKUMAN, AND INSTEAD REMAIN A SANBAIMAN.



TENMA...? WHAT'S THE MATTER ...?


MAYBE ...?!

YOSHII-SAN ...

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I DON'T NEED TO WIN BY THAT 5-MAN ...

WHA-
?!
WHAT THE HE(K ?!
URGH ...!!
THAT'S RIGHT.
YOU AND ME BOTH KNOW WHAT THAT RINSHAN DRAW IS!
IT'S THE 3-MAN!

I WILL AC-CEPT ...
... THIS TILE YOU HAVE GIVEN TO ME!

TSUMO!
SUU-ANKOU!
THAT MAKES A COME-BACK WIN!!
WHOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOAAHH!!!
TEN-MA-AAA-AA!!
I WAS DEFEATED... ME, THE CHAMPION OF KANTOU UNIVERSITY WAS DEFEATED ... BY A LITTLE KID?!
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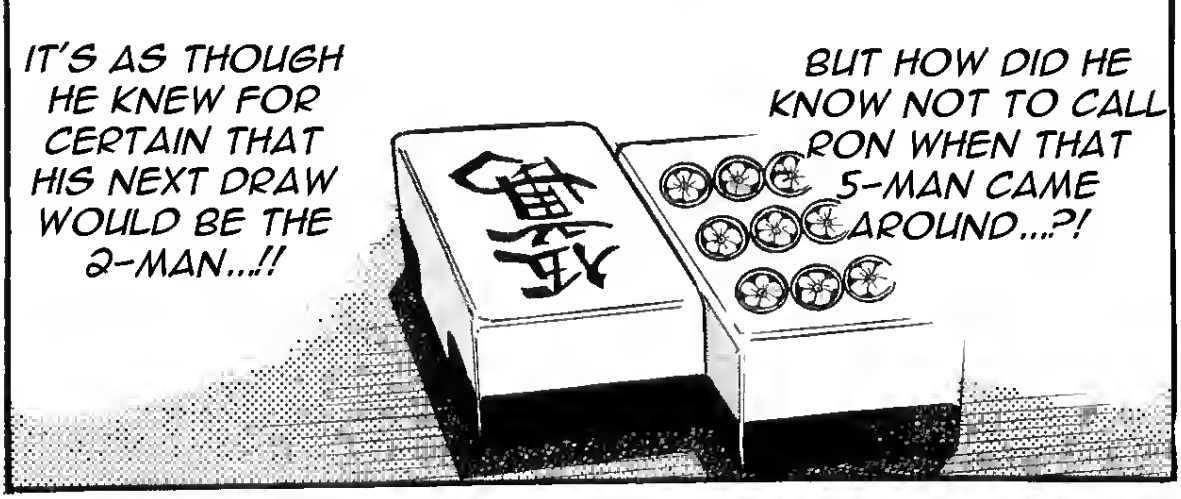
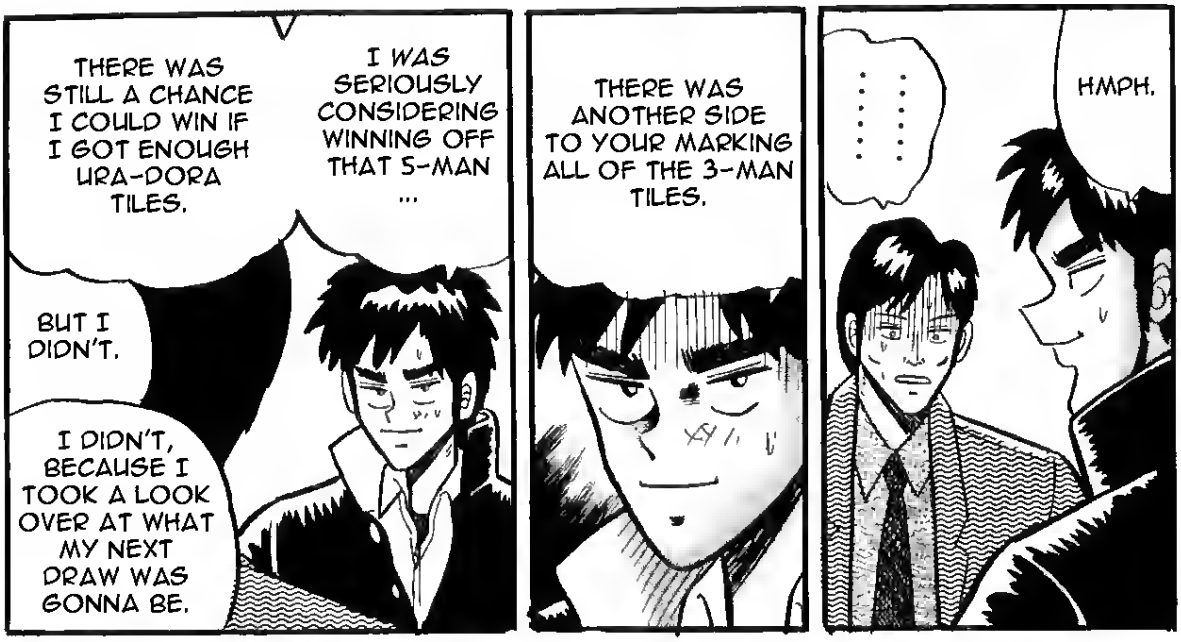
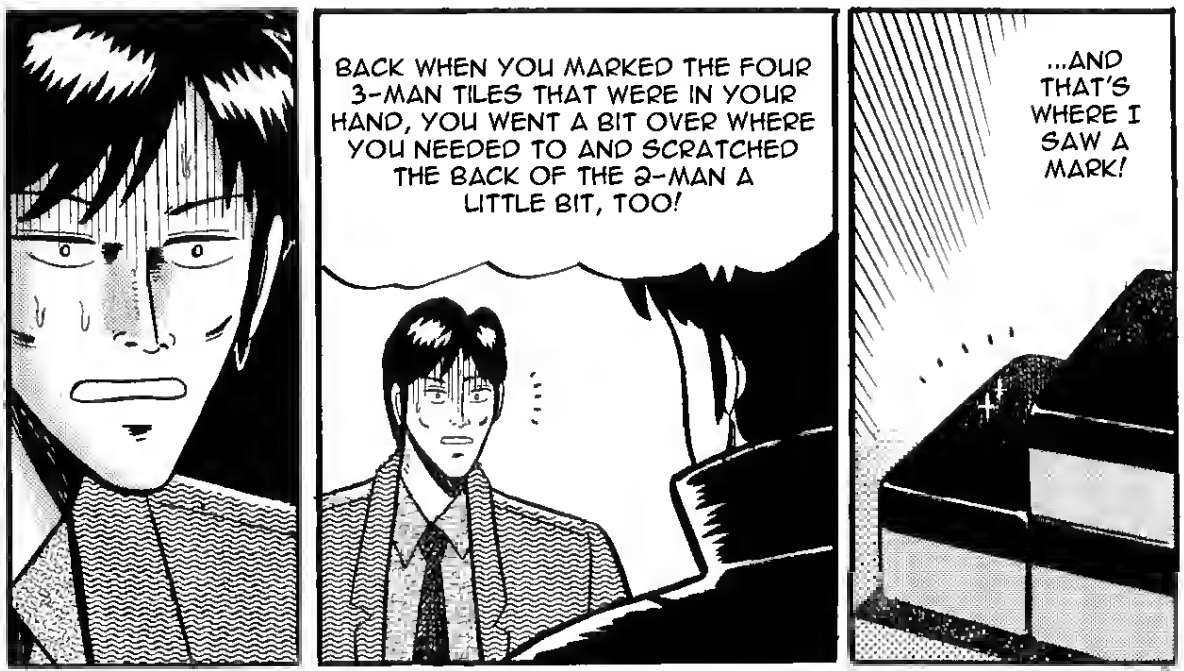

IT'S AS THOUGH HE KNEW FOR CERTAIN THAT HIS NEXT DRAW WOULD BE THE 2-MAN...!!
BUT HOW DID HE KNOW NOT TO CALL RON WHEN THAT 5-MAN CAME AROUND...?!


THERE WAS STILL A CHANCE I COULD WIN IF I GOT ENOUGH URA-DORA TILES.
I WAS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING WINNING OFF THAT 5-MAN ...
BUT I DIDN'T.
I DIDN'T, BECAUSE I TOOK A LOOK OVER AT WHAT MY NEXT DRAW WAS GONNA BE.
THERE WAS ANOTHER SIDE TO YOUR MARKING ALL OF THE 3-MAN TILES.
HMPH.


BACK WHEN YOU MARKED THE FOUR 3-MAN TILES THAT WERE IN YOUR HAND, YOU WENT A BIT OVER WHERE YOU NEEDED TO AND SCRATCHED THE BACK OF THE 2-MAN A LITTLE BIT, TOO!
...AND THAT'S WHERE I SAW A MARK!

TENMA-KUN!!
TENMA!!
THAT WAS SOO COOOOL!!!
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I SAID STOP IT!
OH, STOP IT, YOU GUYS!
HA HA HA HA ...!
LIFT HIM UP!
C'MON, LET'S LIFT HIM UP!
H... HEY ...!
YAAA-HOOO!

WHAD-DAYA MEAN, WHAT'S IT SUP-POSED TO BE?
... WHAT'S THIS SUPPOSED TO BE?
THE NEXT DAY ...
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO GAVE ME ALL THAT HOME-WORK.
THIS LOOKS LIKE YAMADA AND ISHINO'S HANDWRITING!
I KNOW WHAT YOUR HANDWRITING LOOKS LIKE, AND THIS ISN'T EVEN CLOSE!!
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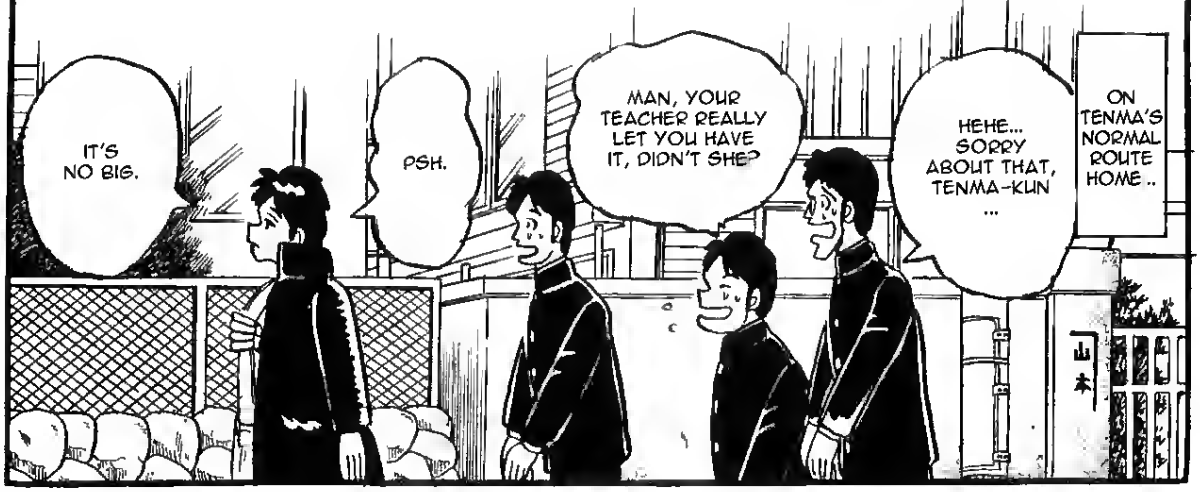
YOU MAY BE ABLE TO FOOL OTHER PEOPLE LIKE THAT, BUT YOU CAN'T PULL THE WOOL OVER MY EYES!!
DON'T YOU LIE TO ME!!
JEEZ, WAY TO BLAME ME FOR YOUR BAD EYESIGHT, MISS.
JUST ADMIT IT... YOU GOT THEM TO DO YOUR HOMEWORK FOR YOU, DIDN'T YOU...?


IT'S NO BIG.
PSH.
MAN, YOUR TEACHER REALLY LET YOU HAVE IT, DIDN'T SHE?
HEHE... SORRY ABOUT THAT, TENMA-KUN ...
ON TENMA'S NORMAL ROUTE HOME..
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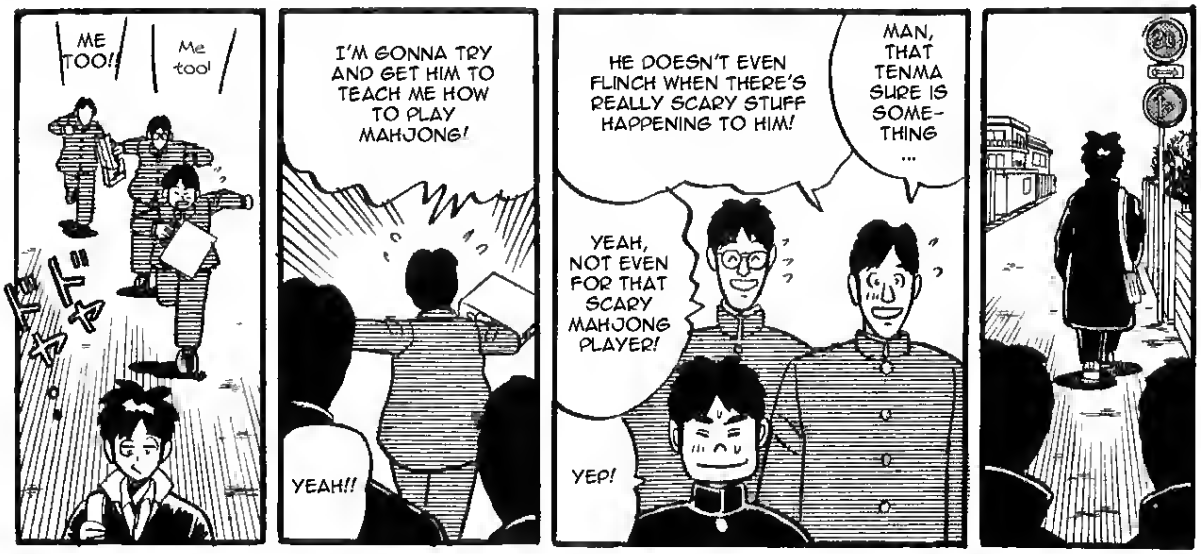
ME TOO!
Me too!
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I'M GONNA TRY AND GET HIM TO TEACH ME HOW TO PLAY MAHJONG!
YEAH!!
HE DOESN'T EVEN FLINCH WHEN THERE'S REALLY SCARY STUFF HAPPENING TO HIM!
MAN, THAT TENMA SURE IS SOME-THING ...
YEAH, NOT EVEN FOR THAT SCARY MAHJONG PLAYER!
YEP!

LET'S WALK HOME TOGE-THER, OKAY?
HEY, TENMA!
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